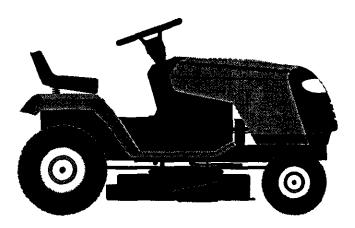
Owner's Manual



LAWN TRACTOR

14.5 HP, 38" MowerElectric Start5 Speed Transaxle

Model No. 917.258010





This product has a low emission engine which operates differently from previously built engines. Before you start the engine, read and understand this Owner's Manual.

CAUTION:

Read and follow all Safety Rules and Instructions before operating this equipment. For answers to your questions about this product, Call: **1-800-659-5917** Sears Craftsman Help Line

Sears Craftsman Help Line 5 am - 5 pm, Mon - Sat

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WARRANTY

LIMITED WARRANTY ON CRAFTSMAN RIDING EQUIPMENT

For two (2) years from the date of purchase, if this Craftsman Riding Equipment is maintained, lubricated and tuned up according to the instructions in the owner's manual. Sears will repair or replace free of charge any parts that are found to be defective in material or workmanship according to the guidelines of coverage listed below. Sears will also provide free labor for these applicable warranted parts for the two full years. During the first 30 days of purchase, there will be no charges to service the product at your home for issues covered by this warranty. (See exclusions below). For your convenience, IN HOME warranty service will still be available after the first 30 days of purchase, but a trip charge will apply. This charge will be waived if the Crafts-man product is dropped off at an authorized Sears location. For the nearest authorized Sears location, please call 1-800-4-MY-HOME®. This warranty applies only while this product is within the United States.

This Warranty does not cover:

- Expendable items which become worn during normal use, including but not limited to blades, spark plugs, air cleaners, belts, and oil filters.
- Standard Maintenance Servicing, oil changes, or tune-ups
 Tire replacement or repair caused by punctures from outside objects, such as nails, thoms, stumps, or glass.
- · Repairs necessary because of operator abuse, including but not limited to, damage caused by towing objects beyond the capability of the riding equipment, impacting objects that bend the frame or crankshaft, or over-speeding the engine.
- Repairs necessary because of operator negligence, including but not limited to, electrical and mechanical damage caused by improper storage, failure to use the proper grade and amount of engine oil, failure to keep the deck clear of flammable debris, or failure to maintain the equipment according to the instructions contained in the owner's manual.
- · Engine (fuel system) cleaning or repairs caused by fuel determined to be contaminated or oxidized (stale). In general, fuel should be used within 30 days of its purchase date.
- Normal deterioration and wear of the exterior finishes, or product label replacement.
- Riding equipment used for commercial or rental purposes.

LIMITED WARRANTY ON BATTERY

For ninety (90) days from date of purchase, if any battery included with this riding equipment proves defective in material or workmanship and our testing determines the battery will not hold a charge, Sears will replace the battery at no charge. During the first 30 days of purchase, there will be no charges to replace the battery at your HOME. After the first 30 days, for your convenience, IN-HOME warranty service will still be available but a trip charge will apply. This charge will be waived if the Craftsman product is dropped of at an authorized Sears location. For the nearest authorized Sears location, please call 1-800-4-MY-HOME®.

This battery warranty applies only while this product is within the United States.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights, which vary, from state to state.

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SAFETY RULES

IMPORTANT: This cutting machine is capable of amputating hands and feet and throwing objects. Failure to observe the following safety instructions could result in serious injury or death.

ALook for this symbol to point out important safety precautions. It means CAUTIONIII BECOME ALERTIII YOUR SAFETY IS INVOLVED.

CAUTION: In order to prevent accidental starting when setting up, transporting, adjusting or making repairs, always disconnect spark plug wire and place wire where it cannot contact spark plug.

CAUTION: Do not coast down a hill in neutral, you may lose control of the tractor.

CAUTION: Tow only the attachments that are recommended by and comply with specifications of the manufacturer of your tractor. Use common sense when towing. Operate only at the lowest possible speed when on a slope. Too heavy of a load, while on a slope, is dangerous. Tires can lose traction with the ground and cause you to lose control of your tractor.

WARNING: Engine exhaust, some of its constituents, and certain vehicle components contain or emit chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

WARNING: Battery posts, terminals and related accessories contain lead and lead compounds, chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. Wash hands after handling.

I. GENERAL OPERATION

- Read, understand, and follow all instructions in the manual and on the machine before starting.
- Only allow responsible adults, who are familiar with the instructions, to operate the machine.
- Clear the area of objects such as rocks, toys, wire, etc., which could be picked up and thrown by the blade.
- Be sure the area is clear of other people before mowing. Stop machine if anyone enters the area.
- Never carry passengers.

- Do not mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary. Always look down and behind before and while backing.
- Be aware of the mower discharge direction and do not point it at anyone.
 Do not operate the mower without either the entire grass catcher or the guard in place.
- Slow down before turning.
- Never leave a running machine unattended. Always turn off blades, set parking brake, stop engine, and remove keys before dismounting.
- Turn off blades when not mowing.
- Stop engine before removing grass catcher or unclogging chute.
- Mow only in daylight or good artificial light.
- Do not operate the machine while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Watch for traffic when operating near or crossing roadways.
- Use extra care when loading or unloading the machine into a trailer or truck.
- Data indicates that operators, age 60 years and above, are involved in a large percentage of riding mower-related injuries. These operators should evaluate their ability to operate the riding mower safely enough to protect themselves and others from serious injury.
- Keep machine free of grass, leaves or other debris build-up which can touch hot exhaust / engine parts and burn. Do not allow the mower deck to plow leaves or other debris which can cause buildup to occur. Clean any oil or fuel spillage before operating or storing the machine. Allow machine to cool before storage.

II. SLOPE OPERATION

Slopes are a major factor related to loss-ofcontrol and tipover accidents, which can result in severe injury or death. All slopes require extra caution. If you cannot back up the slope or if you feel uneasy on it, do not mow it.

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DO:

- · Mow up and down slopes, not across.
- Remove obstacles such as rocks, tree limbs, etc.
- Watch for holes, ruts, or bumps. Uneven terrain could overturn the machine. *Tall grass can hide obstacles*.
- Use slow speed. Choose a low gear so that you will not have to stop or shift while on the slope.
- Follow the manufacturer's recommendations for wheel weights or counterweights to improve stability.
- Use extra care with grass catchers or other attachments. These can change the stability of the machine.
- Keep all movement on the slopes *slow* and *gradual*. Do not make sudden changes in speed or direction.
- Avoid starting or stopping on a slope. If tires lose traction, disengage the blades and proceed slowly straight down the slope.

DO NOT:

- Do not turn on slopes unless necessary, and then, turn slowly and gradually downhill, if possible.
- Do not mow near drop-offs, ditches, or embankments. The mower could suddenly turn over if a wheel is over the edge of a cliff or ditch, or if an edge caves in.
- *Do not* mow on wet grass. Reduced traction could cause sliding.
- Do not try to stabilize the machine by putting your foot on the ground.
- Do not use grass catcher on steep slopes.

III. CHILDREN

Tragic accidents can occur if the operator is not alert to the presence of children. Children are often attracted to the machine and the mowing activity. *Never* assume that children will remain where you last saw them.

- Keep children out of the mowing area and under the watchful care of another responsible adult.
- Be alert and turn machine off if children enter the area.
- Before and when backing, look behind and *down* for small children.

- Never carry children. They may fall off and be seriously injured or interfere with safe machine operation.
- Never allow children to operate the machine.
- Use extra care when approaching blind corners, shrubs, trees, or other objects that may obscure vision.

IV. SERVICE

- Use extra care in handling gasoline and other fuels. They are flammable and vapors are explosive.
 - Use only an approved container.
 - Never remove gas cap or add fuel with the engine running. Allow engine to cool before refueling. Do not smoke.
 - Never refuel the machine indoors.
 - Never store the machine or fuel container inside where there is an open flame, such as a water heater.
- Never run a machine inside a closed area.
- Keep nuts and bolts, especially blade attachment bolts, tight and keep equipment in good condition.
- Never tamper with safety devices. Check their proper operation regularly.
- Keep machine free of grass, leaves, or other debris build-up. Clean oil or fuel spillage. Allow machine to cool before storing.
- Stop and inspect the equipment if you strike an object. Repair, if necessary, before restarting.
- Never make adjustments or repairs with the engine running.
- Grass catcher components are subject to wear, damage, and deterioration, which could expose moving parts or allow objects to be thrown. Frequently check components and replace with manufacturer's recommended parts, when necessary.
- Mower blades are sharp and can cut. Wrap the blade(s) or wear gloves, and use extra caution when servicing them.
- Check brake operation frequently. Adjust and service as required.

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- Be sure the area is clear of other people before mowing. Stop machine if anyone enters the area.
- Never carry passengers or children even with the blades off.
- Do not mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary. Always look down and behind before and while backing.
- Never carry children. They may fall off and be seriously injured or interfere with safe machine operation.
- Keep children out of the mowing area and under the watchful care of another responsible adult.
- Be alert and turn machine off if children enter the area.
- Before and when backing, look behind and down for small children.
- Mow up and down slopes (15° Max), not across.

- Remove obstacles such as rocks, tree limbs, etc.
- Watch for holes, ruts, or bumps. Uneven terrain could overturn the machine. Tall grass can hide obstacles.
- Use slow speed. Choose a low gear so that you will not have to stop or shift while on the slope.
- Avoid starting or stopping on a slope. If tires lose traction, disengage the blades and proceed slowly straight down the slope.
- If machine stops while going uphill, disengage blades, shift into reverse and back down slowly.
- Do not turn on slopes unless necessary, and then, turn slowly and gradually downhill, if possible.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

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Gasoline Capacity	1.25 Gallons Unleaded
and Type:	Regular
Oil Type:	SAE 30 (above 32°F)
(API-SF-SJ):	SAE 5W-30 (below 32°F)
Oil Capacity:	3.0 Pints
Spark Plug: (Gap: .030")	Champion RC12YC
Ground Speed	Forward:
(MPH):	1st 1.1
	2nd 2.2
	3rd 3.4
	4th 4.3
	5th 5.5
	Reverse: 1.7
Tire Pressure:	Front: 14 PSI
	Rear: 12 PSI
Charging	3 Amps Battery
System:	5 Amps Headlights
Battery:	Amp/Hr: 28
	Min. CCA: 230
	Case Size: U1R
Blade Bolt Torque: 27-35 Ft. Lbs.	

CONGRATULATIONS on your purchase of a new tractor. It has been designed, engineered and manufactured to give you the best possible dependability and performance.

Should you experience any problem you cannot easily remedy, please contact a Sears or other qualified service center. We have competent, well-trained technicians and the proper tools to service or repair this tractor.

Please read and retain this manual. The instructions will enable you to assemble and maintain your tractor properly. Always observe the "SAFETY RULES".

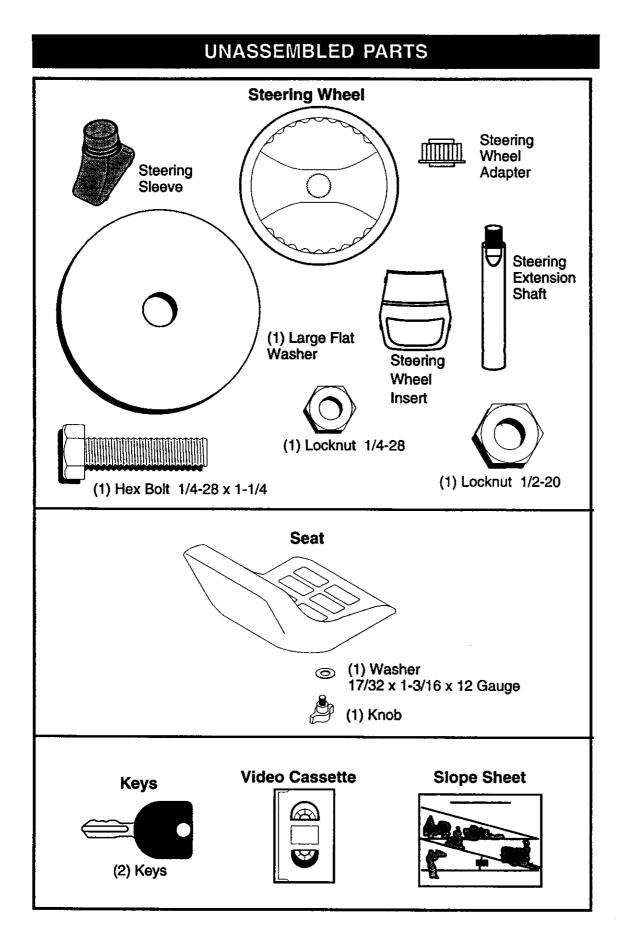
REPAIR AGREEMENT

A Repair Agreement is available on this product. Contact your nearest Sears store for details.

CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

- · Read and observe the safety rules.
- Follow a regular schedule in maintaining, caring for and using your tractor.
- Follow the instructions under "Maintenance" and "Storage" sections of this owner's manual.

AWARNING: This tractor is equipped with an internal combustion engine and should not be used on or near any unimproved forest-covered, brushcovered or grass-covered land unless the engine's exhaust system is equipped with a spark arrester meeting applicable local or state laws (if any). If a spark arrester is used, it should be maintained in effective working order by the operator. In the state of California the above is required by law (Section 4442 of the California Public Resources Code). Other states may have similar laws. Federal laws apply on federal lands. A spark arrester for the muffler is available through your nearest Sears service center (See REPAIR PARTS section of this manual).



ASSEMBLY/PRE-OPERATION

Your new tractor has been assembled at the factory with the exception of those parts left unassembled for shipping purposes. To ensure safe and proper operation of your tractor all parts and hardware you assemble must be tightened securely. Use the correct tools as necessary to insure proper tightness. Review the video cassette before you begin.

TOOLS REQUIRED FOR ASSEMBLY

A socket wrench set will make assembly easier. Standard wrench sizes you need are listed below.

(1) 3/4" wrench (1) Pliers

(1) Utility knife

(2) 7/16" wrench

(1) Tire pressure gauge

When right or left hand is mentioned in this manual, it means, from your point of view, when you are in the operating position (seated behind the steering wheel).

TO REMOVE TRACTOR FROM CARTON

UNPACK CARTON

- 1. Remove all accessible loose parts and parts boxes from carton.
- 2. Cut, from top to bottom, along lines on all four corners of carton, and lay panels flat.
- Check for any additional loose parts or cartons and remove.

BEFORE REMOVING TRACTOR FROM SKID

ATTACH STEERING WHEEL

ASSEMBLE EXTENSION SHAFT AND BOOT

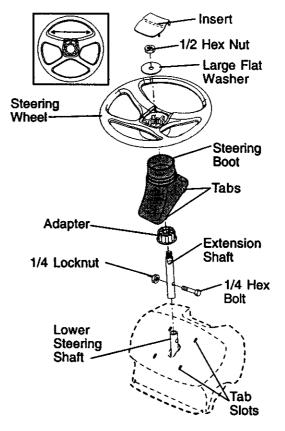
1. Slide extension shaft onto lower steering shaft. Align mounting holes in extension and lower shafts and install 1/4 hex bolt and locknut. Tighten securely.

IMPORTANT: Tighten bolt and nut securely to 10-12 ft. lbs torque.

2. Place tabs of steering boot over tab slots in dash and push down to secure.

INSTALL STEERING WHEEL

- 3. Position front wheels of the tractor so they are pointing straight forward.
- 4. Remove steering wheel adapter from steering wheel and slide adapter onto steering shaft extension.
- 5. Position steering wheel so cross bars are horizontal (left to right) and slide inside boot and onto adapter.

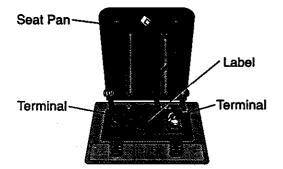


- 6. Assemble large flat washer, 1/2 hex nut and tighten securely.
- 7. Snap steering wheel insert into center of steering wheel.
- 8. Remove protective materials from tractor hood and grill.

IMPORTANT: Check for and remove any staples in skid that may puncture tires where tractor is to roll off skid.

CHECK BATTERY

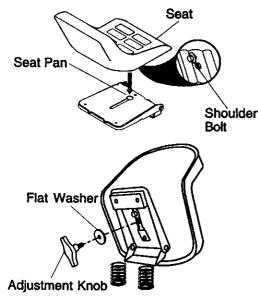
1. Lift seat pan to raised position. NOTE: If this battery is put into service after month and year indicated on label (label located between terminals) charge battery for minimum of one hour at 6-10 amps. (See "BATTERY" in Maintenance section of this manual for charging instructions).



INSTALL SEAT

Adjust seat before tightening adjustment knob.

- Remove adjustment knob and flat washer securing seat to cardboard packing and set aside for assembly of seat to tractor.
- 2. Pivot seat upward and remove from the cardboard packing. Remove the cardboard packing and discard.
- 3. Place seat on seat pan so head of shoulder bolt is positioned over large slotted hole in pan.
- 4. Push down on seat to engage shoulder bolt in slot and pull seat towards rear of tractor.
- 5. Pivot seat and pan forward and assemble adjustment knob and flat washer loosely. Do not tighten.
- 6. Lower seat into operating position and sit in seat.
- Slide seat until a comfortable position is reached which allows you to press clutch/brake pedal all the way down.
- 8. Get off seat without moving its adjusted position.
- 9. Raise seat and tighten adjustment knob securely.



NOTE: You may now roll or drive your tractor off the skid. Follow the appropriate instruction below to remove the tractor from the skid.

TO ROLL TRACTOR OFF SKID (See Operation section for location and function of controls)

- 1. Press lift lever plunger and raise attachment lift lever to its highest position.
- 2. Release parking brake by depressing clutch/brake pedal.
- 3. Place gearshift lever in neutral (N) position.
- 4. Roll tractor forward off skid.
- 5. Remove banding holding deflector shield up against tractor.

TO DRIVE TRACTOR OFF SKID (See Operation section for location and function of controls)

AWARNING: Before starting, read, understand and follow all instructions in the Operation section of this manual. Be sure tractor is in a well-ventilated area. Be sure the area in front of tractor is clear of other people and objects.

- 1. Be sure all the above assembly steps have been completed.
- 2. Check engine oil level and fill fuel tank with gasoline.
- 3. Sit on seat in operating position, depress clutch/brake pedal and set the parking brake.
- 4. Place gear shift lever in neutral (N) position.
- 5. Press lift lever plunger and raise attachment lift lever to its highest position.
- 6. Start the engine. After engine has started, move throttle control to idle position.
- 7. Depress clutch/brake pedal into full "BRAKE" position and hold. Move gearshift lever to 1st gear.
- 8. Slowly release clutch/brake pedal and slowly drive tractor off skid.
- 9. Apply brake to stop tractor, set parking brake and place gearshift lever in neutral position.

10. Turn ignition key to "STOP" position. Continue with the instructions that follow.

CHECK TIRE PRESSURE

The tires on your tractor were overinflated at the factory for shipping purposes. Correct tire pressure is important for best cutting performance.

 Reduce tire pressure to PSI shown in "PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS" section of this manual.

CHECK DECK LEVELNESS

For best cutting results, mower housing should be properly leveled. See "TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual.

CHECK FOR PROPER POSITION OF ALL BELTS

See the figures that are shown for replacing motion and mower blade drive belts in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual. Verify that the belts are routed correctly.

CHECK BRAKE SYSTEM

After you learn how to operate your tractor, check to see that the brake is properly adjusted. See "TO ADJUST BRAKE" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual.

✓ CHECKLIST

Before you operate your new tractor, we wish to assure that you receive the best performance and satisfaction from this Quality Product.

Please review the following checklist:

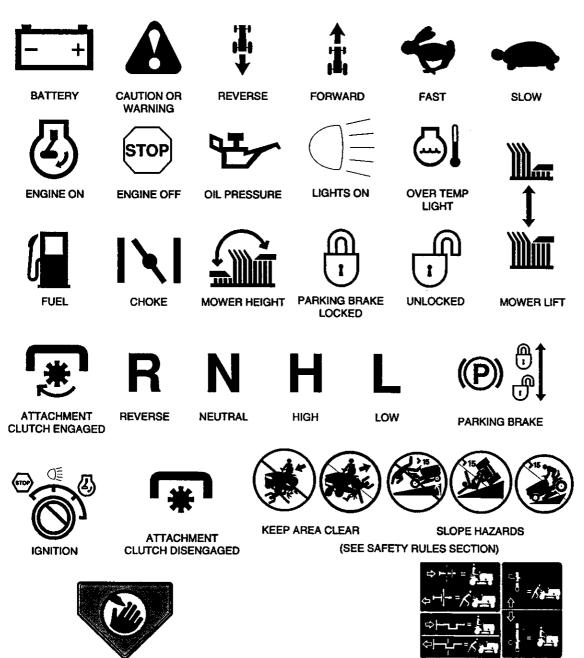
- All assembly instructions have been completed.
- ✓ No remaining loose parts in carton.
- Battery is properly prepared and charged. (Minimum 1 hour at 6 amps).
- Seat is adjusted comfortably and tightened securely.
- All tires are properly inflated. (For shipping purposes, the tires were overinflated at the factory).
- Be sure mower deck is properly leveled side-to-side/front-to-rear for best cutting results. (Tires must be properly inflated for leveling).
- Check mower and drive belts. Be sure they are routed properly around pulleys and inside all belt keepers.
- Check wiring. See that all connections are still secure and wires are properly clamped.

While learning how to use your tractor, pay extra attention to the following important items:

- ✓ Engine oil is at proper level.
- ✓ Fuel tank is filled with fresh, clean, regular unleaded gasoline.
- Become familiar with all controls their location and function. Operate them before you start the engine.
- Be sure brake system is in safe operating condition.

OPERATION

These symbols may appear on your tractor or in literature supplied with the product. Learn and understand their meaning.

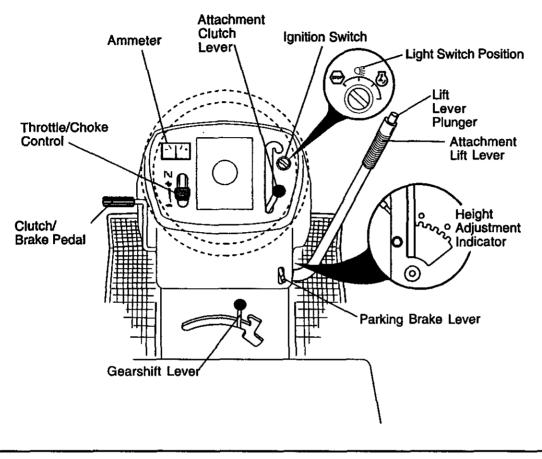


FREE WHEEL (Automatic Models only)

DANGER, KEEP HANDS AND FEET AWAY

KNOW YOUR TRACTOR READ THIS OWNER'S MANUAL AND SAFETY RULES BEFORE OPERATING YOUR TRACTOR

Compare the illustrations with your tractor to familiarize yourself with the locations of various controls and adjustments. Save this manual for future reference.



Our tractors conform to the safety standards of the American National Standards Institute.

ATTACHMENT CLUTCH LEVER - Used to engage the mower blades, or other attachments mounted to your tractor. ATTACHMENT LIFT LEVER - Used to raise, lower, and adjust the mower deck or other attachments mounted to your tractor.

CLUTCH/BRAKE PEDAL - Used for declutching and braking the tractor and starting the engine.

GEARSHIFT LEVER - Selects the speed and direction of tractor.

IGNITION SWITCH - Used for starting and stopping the engine.

LIFT LEVER PLUNGER - Used to release attachment lift lever when changing its position.

LIGHT SWITCH POSITION - Turns the headlights on and off.

PARKING BRAKE LEVER - Locks clutch/ brake pedal into the brake position. THROTTLE/CHOKE CONTROL - Used for starting and controlling engine speed. AMMETER - Indicates battery charging (+) or discharging (-).

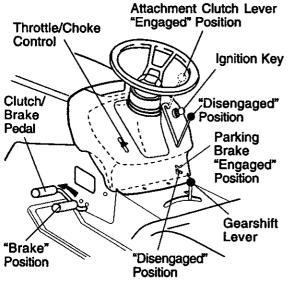


The operation of any tractor can result in foreign objects thrown into the eyes, which can result in severe eye damage. Always wear safety glasses or eye shields while operating your tractor or performing any adjustments or repairs. We recommend standard safety glasses or a wide vision safety mask worn over spectacles.

HOW TO USE YOUR TRACTOR TO SET PARKING BRAKE

Your tractor is equipped with an operator presence sensing switch. When engine is running, any attempt by the operator to leave the seat without first setting the parking brake will shut off the engine.

- 1. Depress clutch/brake pedal all the way down and hold.
- Pull parking brake lever up and release pressure from clutch/brake pedal. Pedal should remain in brake position. Make sure parking brake will hold tractor secure.



STOPPING

MOWER BLADES -

To stop mower blades, move attachment clutch lever to disengaged position.

GROUND DRIVE -

- To stop ground drive, depress clutch/ brake pedal all the way down.
- Move gearshift lever to neutral (N) position.

ENGINE -

• Move throttle control to slow position. **NOTE:** Failure to move throttle control to slow position and allowing engine to idle before stopping may cause engine to "backfire".

- Turn ignition key to "STOP" position and remove key. Always remove key when leaving tractor to prevent unauthorized use.
- Never use choke to stop engine. **IMPORTANT:** Leaving the ignition switch in any position other than "STOP" will cause the battery to discharge and go dead.

NOTE: Under certain conditions when tractor is standing idle with the engine running, hot engine exhaust gases may cause "browning" of grass. To eliminate this possibility, always stop engine when stopping tractor on grass areas.

ACAUTION: Always stop tractor completely, as described above, before leaving the operator's position.

TO USE THROTTLE CONTROL

Always operate engine at full throttle.

- Operating engine at less than full throttle reduces the battery charging rate.
- Full throttle offers the best bagging and mower performance.

TO MOVE FORWARD AND BACKWARD

The direction and speed of movement is controlled by the gearshift lever.

- Start tractor with clutch/brake pedal depressed and gearshift lever in neutral (N) position.
- 2. Move gearshift lever to desired position.
- 3. Slowly release clutch/brake pedal to start movement.

IMPORTANT: Bring tractor to a complete stop before shifting or changing gears. Failure to do so will shorten the useful life of your transaxle.

TO ADJUST MOWER CUTTING HEIGHT

The position of the attachment lift lever determines the cutting height.

- Grasp lift lever.
- Press plunger with thumb and move lever to desired position.

The cutting height range is approximately 1-1/2 to 4". The heights are measured from the ground to the blade tip with the engine not running. These heights are approximate and may vary depending upon soil conditions, height of grass and types of grass being mowed.

- The average lawn should be cut to approximately 2-1/2 inches during the cool season and to over 3 inches during hot months. For healthier and better looking lawns, mow often and after moderate growth.
- For best cutting performance, grass over 6 inches in height should be mowed twice. Make the first cut relatively high; the second to desired height.

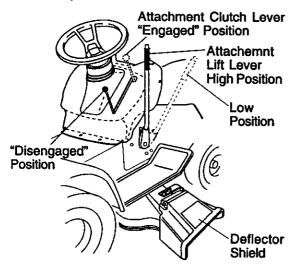
TO OPERATE MOWER

Your tractor is equipped with an operator presence sensing switch. Any attempt by the operator to leave the seat with the engine running and the attachment clutch engaged will shut off the engine.

- 1. Select desired height of cut.
- 2. Start mower blades by engaging attachment clutch control.

To stop mower blades -

disengage attachment clutch control. **ACAUTION:** Do not operate the mower without either the entire grass catcher, on mowers so equipped, or the deflector shield in place.



TO OPERATE ON HILLS

ACAUTION: Do not drive up or down hills with slopes greater than 15° and do not drive across any slope. Use the slope guide at the back of this manual.

- Choose the slowest speed before starting up or down hills.
- Avoid stopping or changing speed on hills.

• If slowing is necessary, move throttle control lever to slower position.

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- If stopping is absolutely necessary, push clutch/brake pedal quickly to brake position and engage parking brake.
- Move gearshift lever to 1st gear. Be sure you have allowed room for tractor to roll slightly as you restart movement.
- To restart movement, slowly release parking brake and clutch/brake pedal.
- Make all turns slowly.

TO TRANSPORT

- Raise attachment lift to highest position with attachment lift control.
- When pushing or towing your tractor, be sure gearshift lever is in neutral (N) position.
- Do not push or tow tractor at more than five (5) MPH.

NOTE: To protect hood from damage when transporting your tractor on a truck or a trailer, be sure hood is closed and secured to tractor. Use an appropriate means of tying hood to tractor (rope, cord, etc.).

TOWING CARTS AND OTHER ATTACH-MENTS

Tow only the attachments that are recommended by and comply with specifications of the manufacturer of your tractor. Use common sense when towing. Too heavy of a load, while on a slope, is dangerous. Tires can lose traction with the ground and cause you to lose control of your tractor.

BEFORE STARTING THE ENGINE CHECK ENGINE OIL LEVEL

The engine in your tractor has been shipped, from the factory, already filled with summer weight oil.

- 1. Check engine oil with tractor on level ground.
- Řemove oil fill cap/dipstick and wipe clean, reinsert the dipstick and screw cap tight, wait for a few seconds, remove and read oil level. If necessary, add oil until "FULL" mark on dipstick is reached. Do not overfill.
- For cold weather operation you should change oil for easier starting (See "OIL VISCOSITY CHART" in the Maintenance section of this manual).
- To change engine oil, see the Maintenance section in this manual.

ADD GASOLINE

 Fill fuel tank to bottom of tank filler neck. Do not overfill. Use fresh, clean, regular unleaded gasoline with a minimum of 87 octane. (Use of leaded gasoline will increase carbon and lead oxide deposits and reduce valve life). Do not mix oil with gasoline. Purchase fuel in quantities that can be used within 30 days to assure fuel freshness.

A CAUTION: Wipe off any spilled oil or fuel. Do not store, spill or use gasoline near an open flame.

IMPORTANT: When operating in temperatures below 32°F(0°C), use fresh, clean winter grade gasoline to help insure good cold weather starting.

A CAUTION: Alcohol blended fuels (called gasohol or using ethanol or methanoi) can attract moisture which leads to separation and formation of acids during storage. Acidic gas can damage the fuel system of an engine while in storage. To avoid engine problems, the fuel system should be emptied before storage of 30 days or longer. Drain the gas tank, start the engine and let it run until the fuel lines and carburetor are empty. Use fresh fuel next season. See Storage Instructions for additional information. Never use engine or carburetor cleaner products in the fuel tank or permanent damage may occur.

TO START ENGINE

When starting the engine for the first time or if the engine has run out of fuel, it will take extra cranking time to move fuel from the tank to the engine.

- Sit on seat in operating position, depress clutch/brake pedal and set parking brake.
- 2. Place gear shift lever in neutral (N) position.
- 3. Move attachment clutch to disengaged position.

4. Move throttle control to choke position. **NOTE:** Before starting, read the warm and cold starting procedures below.

5. Insert key into ignition and turn key clockwise to start position and release key as soon as engine starts. Do not run starter continuously for more than fifteen seconds per minute. If the engine does not start after several attempts, move throttle control to fast position, wait a few minutes and try again. If engine still does not start, move the throttle control back to the choke position and retry.

WARM WEATHER STARTING (50° F and above)

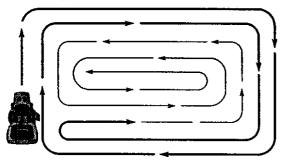
- 6. When engine starts, move the throttle control to the fast position.
- The attachments and ground drive can now be used. If the engine does not accept the load, restart the engine and allow it to warm up for one minute using the choke as described above.

COLD WEATHER STARTING (50° F and below)

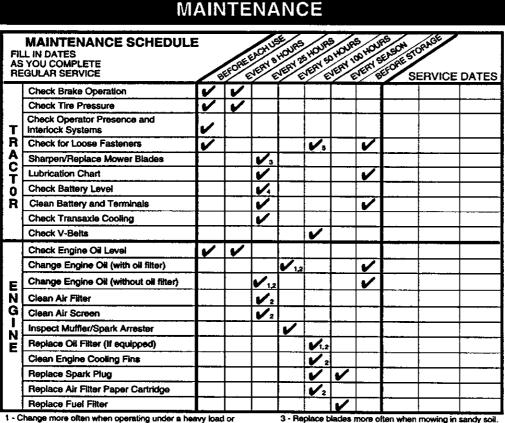
- When engine starts, allow engine to run with the throttle control in the choke position until the engine runs roughly, then move throttle control to fast position. This may require an engine warm-up period from several seconds to several minutes, depending on the temperature.
- The attachments can also be used during the engine warm-up period.
 NOTE: If at a high altitude (above 3000 feet) or in cold temperatures (below 32 F) the carburetor fuel mixture may need to be adjusted for best engine performance. (See "TO ADJUST CARBURETOR" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual).

MOWING TIPS

- Mower should be properly leveled for best mowing performance. See "TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual.
- The left hand side of mower should be used for trimming.
- Drive so that clippings are discharged onto the area that has already been cut. Have the cut area to the right of the tractor. This will result in a more even distribution of clippings and more uniform cutting.
- When mowing large areas, start by turning to the right so that clippings will discharge away from shrubs, fences, driveways, etc. After one or two rounds, mow in the opposite direction making left hand turns until finished.



- If grass is extremely tall, it should be mowed twice to reduce load and possible fire hazard from dried clippings. Make first cut relatively high; the second to the desired height.
- Do not mow grass when it is wet. Wet grass will plug mower and leave undesirable clumps. Allow grass to dry before mowing.
- Always operate engine at full throttle when mowing to assure better mowing performance and proper discharge of material. Regulate ground speed by selecting a low enough gear to give the mower cutting performance as well as the guality of cut desired.
- When operating attachments, select a ground speed that will suit the terrain and give best performance of the attachment being used.



In high ambient temperatures. 2 - Service more often when operating in dirty or dusty conditions.

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

The warranty on this tractor does not cover items that have been subjected to operator abuse or negligence. To receive full value from the warranty, operator must maintain tractor as instructed in this manual. Some adjustments will need to be made

periodically to properly maintain your tractor.

All adjustments in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual should be checked at least once each season.

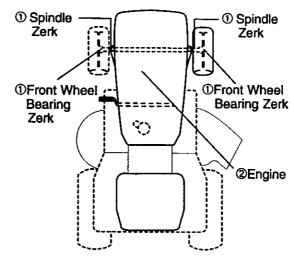
· Once a year you should replace the spark plug, clean or replace air filter, and check blades and belts for wear, A new spark plug and clean air filter assure proper air-fuel mixture and help your engine run better and last longer.

BEFORE EACH USE

- 1. Check engine oil level.
- 2. Check brake operation.
- Check tire pressure.
- 4. Check operator presence and interlock systems for proper operation.
- 5. Check for loose fasteners.

4 - Not required if equipped with maintenance-free battery. 5 Tighten front axle pivot bolt to 35 ft.-lbs. maximum, Do not overtighten.

LUBRICATION CHART



① General Purpose Grease ② Refer to Maintenance "ENGINE" Section

IMPORTANT: Do not oil or grease the pivot points which have special nylon bearings. Viscous lubricants will attract dust and dirt that will shorten the life of the self-lubricating bearings. If you feel they must be lubricated, use only a dry, powdered graphite type lubricant sparingly.

TRACTOR

Always observe safety rules when performing any maintenance.

BRAKE OPERATION

If tractor requires more than six (6) feet stopping distance at high speed in highest gear, then brake must be adjusted. (See "TO ADJUST BRAKE" in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual).

TIRES

- Maintain proper air pressure in all tires (See "PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS" section of this manual).
- Keep tires free of gasoline, oil, or insect control chemicals which can harm rubber.
- Avoid stumps, stones, deep ruts, sharp objects and other hazards that may cause tire damage.

NOTE: To seal tire punctures and prevent flat tires due to slow leaks, tire sealant may be purchased from your local parts dealer. Tire sealant also prevents tire dry rot and corrosion.

OPERATOR PRESENCE SYSTEM

Be sure operator presence and interlock systems are working properly. If your tractor does not function as described, repair the problem immediately.

- The engine should not start unless the clutch/brake pedal is fully depressed and attachement clutch control is in the disengaged position.
- When the engine is running, any attempt by the operator to leave the seat without first setting the parking brake should shut off the engine.
- When the engine is running and the attachment clutch is engaged, any attempt by the operator to leave the seat should shut off the engine.
- The attachment clutch should never operate unless the operator is in the seat.

BLADE CARE

For best results mower blades must be kept sharp. Replace bent or damaged blades.

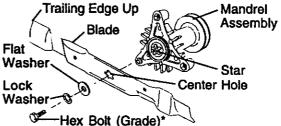
BLADE REMOVAL

- 1. Raise mower to highest position to allow access to blades.
- 2. Remove hex bolt, lock washer and flat washer securing blade.
- Install new or resharpened blade with trailing edge up towards deck as shown.

IMPORTANT: To ensure proper assembly, center hole in blade must align with star on mandrel assembly.

- Reassemble hex bolt, lock washer and flat washer in exact order as shown.
- 5. Tighten bolt securely (27-35 Ft. Lbs. torque).

IMPORTANT: Blade bolt is grade 8 heat treated.



*A Grade 8 heat treated bolt can be identified by six lines on the bolt head.

TO SHARPEN BLADE

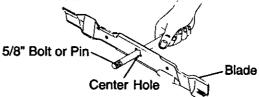
NOTE: We do not recommend sharpening blade - but if you do, be sure the blade is balanced.

Care should be taken to keep the blade balanced. An unbalanced blade will cause excessive vibration and eventual damage to mower and engine.

- The blade can be sharpened with a file or on a grinding wheel. Do not attempt to sharpen while on the mower.
- To check blade balance, you will need a 5/8" diameter steel bolt, pin, or a cone balancer. (When using a cone balancer, follow the instructions supplied with balancer.)

NOTE: Do not use a nail for balancing blade. The lobes of the center hole may appear to be centered, but are not.

 Slide blade on to an unthreaded portion of the steel bolt or pin and hold the bolt or pin parallel with the ground. If blade is balanced, it should remain in a horizontal position. If either end of the blade moves downward, sharpen the heavy end until the blade is balanced.



BATTERY

Your tractor has a battery charging system which is sufficient for normal use. However, periodic charging of the battery with an automotive charger will extend its life.

- Keep battery and terminals clean.
- Keep battery bolts tight.
- · Keep small vent holes open.

• Recharge at 6-10 amperes for 1 hour. NOTE: The original equipment battery on your tractor is maintenance free. Do not attempt to open or remove caps or covers. Adding or checking level of electrolyte is not necessary.

TO CLEAN BATTERY AND TERMINALS

Corrosion and dirt on the battery and terminals can cause the battery to "leak" power.

- 1. Open battery box door.
- Disconnect BLACK battery cable first then RED battery cable and remove battery from tractor.
- 3. Rinse the battery with plain water and dry.
- 4. Clean terminals and battery cable ends with wire brush until bright.
- 5. Coat terminals with grease or petroleum jelly.
- 6. Reinstall battery (See "REPLACING BATTERY" in the SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS section of this manual).

TRANSAXLE COOLING

Keep transaxle free from build-up of dirt and chaff which can restrict cooling.

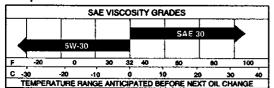
V-BELTS

Check V-belts for deterioration and wear after 100 hours of operation and replace if necessary. The belts are not adjustable. Replace belts if they begin to slip from wear.

ENGINE

LUBRICATION

Only use high quality detergent oil rated with API service classification SF-SJ Select the oil's SAE viscosity grade according to your expected operating temperature.



NOTE: Although multi-viscosity oils (5W30, 10W30 etc.) improve starting in cold weather, these multi-viscosity oils will result in increased oil consumption when used above 32°F. Check your engine oil level more frequently to avoid possible engine damage from running low on oil.

Change the oil after every 25 hours of operation or at least once a year if the tractor is not used for 25 hours in one year.

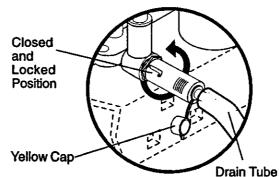
Check the crankcase oil level before starting the engine and after each eight (8) hours of operation. Tighten oil fill cap/ dipstick securely each time you check the oil level.

TO CHANGE ENGINE OIL

Determine temperature range expected before oil change. All oil must meet API service classification SF-SJ.

- Be sure tractor is on level surface.
- Oil will drain more freely when warm.
- · Catch oil in a suitable container.
- 1. Remove oil fill cap/dipstick. Be careful not to allow dirt to enter the engine when changing oil.
- 2. Remove yellow cap from end of drain valve and install the drain tube onto the fitting.

Oil Drain Valve



- 3. Unlock drain valve by pushing inward slightly and turning counterclockwise.
- 4. To open, pull out on the drain valve.
- 5. After oil has drained completely, close and lock the drain valve by pushing inward and turning clockwise until the pin is in the locked position as shown.
- 6. Remove the drain tube and replace the cap onto the end of the drain valve.
- Refill engine with oil through oil fill dipstick tube. Pour slowly. Do not overfill. For approximate capacity see "PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS" section of this manual.
- 8. Use gauge on oil fill cap/dipstick for checking level. For accurate reading, tighten dipstick cap securely onto the tube before removing dipstick. Keep oil at "FULL" line on dipstick. Tighten cap onto the tube securely when finished.

AIR FILTER

Your engine will not run properly using a dirty air filter. Clean the foam pre-cleaner after every 25 hours of operation or every season. Service paper cartridge every 100 hours of operation or every season, whichever occurs first.

Service air cleaner more often under dusty conditions.

1. Remove knob(s) and cover.

TO SERVICE PRE-CLEANER

- 2. Slide foam pre-cleaner off cartridge.
- 3. Wash it in liquid detergent and water.
- 4. Squeeze it dry in a clean cloth.
- 5. Saturate it in engine oil. Wrap it in clean, absorbent cloth and squeeze to remove excess oil.

NOTE: If very dirty or damaged, replace pre-cleaner.

- 6. Reinstall pre-cleaner over cartridge.
- 7. Reinstall cover and secure with knob(s).

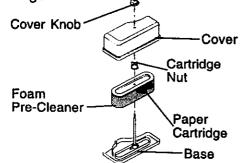
TO SERVICE CARTRIDGE

- 1. Remove cartridge nut.
- 2. Carefully remove cartridge to prevent debris from entering carburetor. Clean base carefully to prevent debris from entering carburetor.
- 3. Clean cartridge by tapping gently on flat surface.

NOTE: If very dirty or damaged, replace cartridge.

4. Reinstall cartridge, nut, precleaner, cover and secure with knob(s).

IMPORTANT: Petroleum solvents, such as kerosene, are not to be used to clean the cartridge. They may cause deterioration of the cartridge. Do not oil cartridge. Do not use pressurized air to clean or dry cartridge.



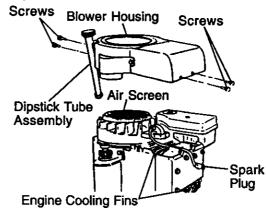
CLEAN AIR SCREEN

Air screen must be kept free of dirt and chaff to prevent engine damage from overheating. Clean with a wire brush or compressed air to remove dirt and stubborn dried gum fibers.

ENGINE COOLING FINS

Remove any dust, dirt or oil from engine cooling fins to prevent engine damage from overheating.

- 1. Remove screws from blower housing and lift housing and dipstick tube assembly off engine.
- 2. Cover oil fill opening to prevent entry of dirt.
- 3. Use compressed air or stiff bristle brush to thoroughly clean engine cooling fins.
- 4. To reassemble, reverse above procedure.



MUFFLER

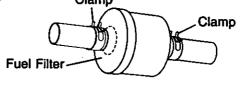
Inspect and replace corroded muffler and spark arrester (if equipped) as it could create a fire hazard and/or damage. SPARK PLUG(S)

Replace spark plug(s) at the beginning of each mowing season or after every 100 hours of operation, whichever occurs first. Spark plug type and gap setting are shown in "PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS" section of this manual.

IN-LINE FUEL FILTER

The fuel filter should be replaced once each season. If fuel filter becomes clogged, obstructing fuel flow to carburetor, replacement is required.

- 1. With engine cool, remove filter and plug fuel line sections.
- Place new fuel filter in position in fuel line with arrow pointing towards carburetor.
- 3. Be sure there are no fuel line leaks and clamps are properly positioned.
- 4. Immediately wipe up any spilled gasoline. Clamp



CLEANING

- Clean engine, battery, seat, finish, etc. of all foreign matter.
- Keep finished surfaces and wheels free of all gasoline, oil, etc.

We do not recommend using a garden hose to clean your tractor unless the electrical system, muffler, air filter and carburetor are covered to keep water out. Water in engine can result in a shortened engine life.

 Protect painted surfaces with automotive type wax.

SERVICE AND ADJUSTMENTS

WARNING: TO AVOID SERIOUS INJURY, BEFORE PERFORMING ANY SERVICE OR ADJUSTMENTS:

- 1. Depress clutch/brake pedal fully and set parking brake.
- 2. Place gearshift lever in neutral (N) position.
- 3. Place attachment clutch in "DISENGAGED" position.
- 4. Turn ignition key to "STOP" and remove key.
- 5. Make sure the blades and all moving parts have completely stopped.
- 6. Disconnect spark plug wire from spark plug and place wire where it cannot come in contact with plug.

TRACTOR

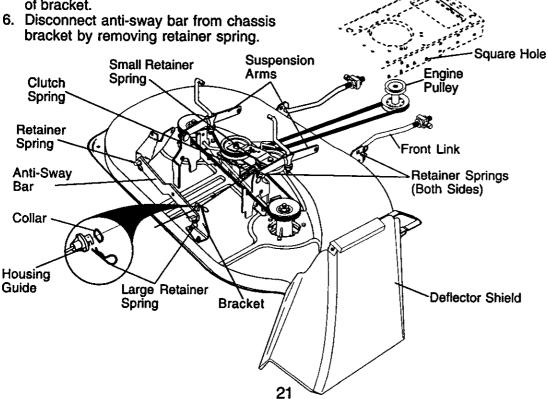
TO REMOVE MOWER

Mower will be easier to remove from the right side of tractor.

- 1. Place attachment clutch in "DISEN-GAGED" position.
- 2. Move attachment lift lever forward to lower mower to its lowest position.
- 3. Roll belt off engine pulley.
- 4. Remove small retainer spring, and lift clutch spring off pulley bolt.
- 5. Remove large retainer spring, slide collar off and push housing guide out of bracket.

- Disconnect suspension arms from rear deck brackets by removing retainer springs.
- 8. Disconnect front links from deck by removing retainer springs.
- Raise lift lever to raise suspension arms. Slide mower out from under tractor.

IMPORTANT: If an attachment other than the mower deck is to be mounted on the tractor, remove the front links and hook the clutch spring Into square hole in frame.



TO INSTALL MOWER

- 1. Raise attachment lift lever to its highest position.
- 2. Slide mower under tractor with deflector shield to right side of tractor.
- 3. Lower lift lever to its lowest position.
- Connect front links to mower deck and secure with retainer springs.
- 5. Connect suspension arms to rear deck brackets and secure with retainer springs.

TO LEVEL MOWER HOUSING

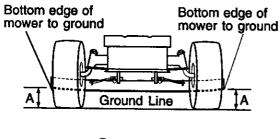
Adjust the mower while tractor is parked on level ground or driveway. Make sure tires are properly inflated (See "PROD-UCT SPECIFICATIONS" section of this manual). If tires are over or underinflated, you will not properly adjust your mower.

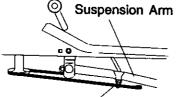
SIDE-TO-SIDE ADJUSTMENT

- · Raise mower to its highest position.
- At the midpoint of both sides of mower, measure height from bottom edge of mower to ground. Distance "A" on both sides of mower should be the same or within 1/4" of each other.
- If adjustment is necessary, make adjustment on one side of mower only.
- To raise one side of mower, tighten lift link adjustment nut on that side.
- To lower one side of mower, loosen lift link adjustment nut on that side.

NOTE: Each full turn of adjustment nut will change mower height about 1/8".

 Recheck measurements after adjusting.





Lift Link Adjustment Nut

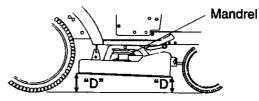
FRONT-TO-BACK ADJUSTMENT

IMPORTANT: Deck must be level side-to side. If the following front-to-back adjustment is necessary, be sure to adjust both front links equally so mower will stay level side-to-side.

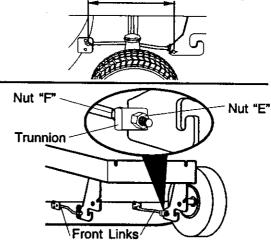
To obtain the best cutting results, the mower housing should be adjusted so that the front is approximately 1/8" to 1/2" lower than the rear when the mower is in its highest position.

Check adjustment on right side of tractor. Measure distance "D" directly in front and behind the mandrel at bottom edge of mower housing as shown.

- Before making any necessary adjustments, check that both front links are equal in length.
- If links are not equal in length, adjust one link to same length as other link.
- To lower front of mower loosen nut "E" on both front links an equal number of turns.
- When distance "D" is 1/8" to 1/2" lower at front than rear, tighten nuts "F" against trunnion on both front links.
- To raise front of mower, loosen nut "F" from trunnion on both front links. Tighten nut "E" on both front links an equal number of turns. The two front links must remain equal in length.
- When distance "D" is 1/8" to 1/2" lower at front than rear, tighten nut "F" against trunnion on both front links.
- Recheck side-to-side adjustment.



Both Front Links Should be Equal in Length



TO REPLACE MOWER BLADE DRIVE BELT

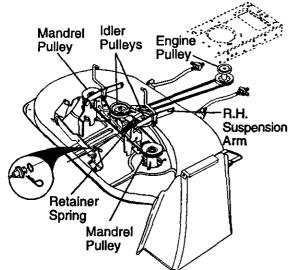
The mower blade drive belt may be replaced without tools. Park the tractor on level surface. Engage parking brake.

BELT REMOVAL -

- 1. Place attachment clutch in "DISEN-GAGED" position.
- 2. Move attachment lift lever forward to lower mower to its lowest position.
- 3. Roll belt off engine pulley.
- Disconnect R.H. suspension arm from rear deck bracket by removing retainer spring.
- 5. Work belt off both mandrel pulleys and idler pulleys.
- 6. Pull belt away from mower.

BELT INSTALLATION -

- 1. Work new belt around both mandrel pulleys and idler pulleys.
- 2. Install new belt into engine pulley grove.
- 3. Reconnect R.H. suspension arm and secure with retainer spring.
- 4. Make sure belt is in all pulley grooves and inside all belt guides.



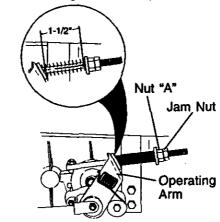
TO ADJUST BRAKE

Your tractor is equipped with an adjustable brake system which is mounted on the right side of the transaxle. If tractor requires more than six (6) feet stopping distance at high speed in highest gear on a level dry concrete or paved surface, then brake must be adjusted.

- 1. Depress clutch/brake pedal and engage parking brake.
- Measure distance between brake operating arm and nut "A" on brake rod.

- If distance is other than 1-1/2", loosen jam nut and turn nut "A" until distance becomes 1-1/2". Retighten jam nut against nut "A".
- Road test tractor for proper stopping distance as stated above. Readjust if necessary. If stopping distance is still greater than six (6) feet in highest gear, further maintenance is necessary. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.

With Parking Brake "Engaged"



TO REPLACE MOTION DRIVE BELT

Park the tractor on level surface. Engage parking brake. For assistance, there is a belt installation guide decal on bottom side of left footrest.

BELT REMOVAL -

1. Remove mower (See "TO REMOVE MOWER" in this section of manual).

NOTE: Observe entire motion drive belt and position of all belt guides and keepers.

- 2. Remove belt from stationary idler and clutching idler.
- 3. Remove belt downward from around engine pulley.
- Pull belt slack toward rear of tractor. Remove belt upwards from transaxle pulley by deflecting belt keepers.
- 5. Remove belt from center span keeper and pull belt away from tractor.

BELT INSTALLATION -

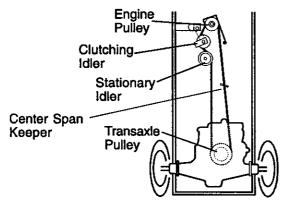
- 1. Carefully work new belt down between transaxle belt keepers and onto the input pulley.
- 2. Slide belt into the center span keeper.
- 3. Pull belt toward front of tractor and roll around the top groove of engine pulley.
- 4. Install belt through stationary idler and clutching idler.

5. Make sure belt is in all pulley grooves and inside all belt guides and keepers.

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6. Install mower (See "TO INSTALL MOWER" in this section of manual).



TO ADJUST STEERING WHEEL ALIGN-MENT

If steering wheel crossbars are not horizontal (left to right) when wheels are positioned straight forward, remove steering wheel and reassemble with crossbars horizontal. Tighten securely. FRONT WHEEL TOE-IN/CAMBER

The front wheel toe-in and camber are not adjustable on your tractor. If damage has occurred to affect the front wheel toein or camber, contact a Sears or other qualified service center.

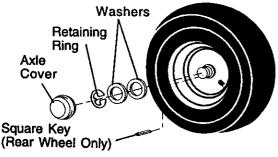
TO REMOVE WHEEL FOR REPAIRS

- 1. Block up axle securely.
- 2. Remove axle cover, retaining ring and washers to allow wheel removal (rear wheels have a square key Do not lose).
- 3. Repair tire and reassemble.

NOTE: On rear wheels only: align grooves in rear wheel hub and axle. Insert square key.

- 4. Replace washers and snap retaining ring securely in axle groove.
- 5. Replace axle cover.

NOTE: To seal tire punctures and prevent flat tires due to slow leaks, purchase and use tire sealant from Sears. Tire sealant also prevents tire dry rot and corrosion.



TO START ENGINE WITH A WEAK BATTERY

WARNING: Lead-acid batteries generate explosive gases. Keep sparks, flame and smoking materials away from batteries. Always wear eye protection when around batteries. If your battery is too weak to start the

"BATTERY" in the MAINTENANCE section of this manual).

If "jumper cables" are used for emergency starting, follow this procedure: IMPORTANT: Your tractor is equipped

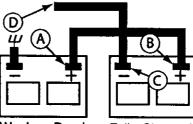
with a 12 volt system. The other vehicle must also be a 12 volt system. Do not use your tractor battery to start other vehicles.

TO ATTACH JUMPER CABLES -

- Connect one end of the RED cable to the POSITIVE (+) terminal of each battery(A-B), taking care not to short against tractor chassis.
- Connect one end of the BLACK cable to the NEGATIVE (-) terminal (C) of fully charged battery.
- 3. Connect the other end of the BLACK cable (D) to good chassis ground, away from fuel tank and battery.

TO REMOVE CABLES, REVERSE ORDER -

- 1. BLACK cable first from chassis and then from the fully charged battery.
- 2. RED cable last from both batteries.



Weak or Dead Battery

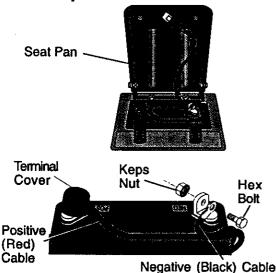
Fully Charged Battery

REPLACING BATTERY

WARNING: Do not short battery terminals by allowing a wrench or any other object to contact both terminals at the same time. Before connecting battery, remove metal bracelets, wristwatch bands, rings, etc.

Positive terminal must be connected first to prevent sparking from accidental grounding.

- 1. Lift seat pan to raised position.
- Disconnect BLACK battery cable first then RED battery cable and carefully remove battery from tractor.
- 3. Install new battery with terminals in same position as old battery.
- First connect RED battery cable to positive (+) terminal with hex bolt and keps nut as shown. Tighten securely. Slide terminal cover over terminal
- 5. Connect BLACK grounding cable to negative (-) terminal with remaining hex bolt and keps nut. Tighten securely.



TO REPLACE HEADLIGHT BULB

- 1. Raise hood.
- 2. Pull bulb holder out of the hole in the backside of the grill.
- 3. Replace bulb in holder and push bulb holder securely back into the hole in the backside of the grill.

4. Close hood.

INTERLOCKS AND RELAYS

Loose or damaged wiring may cause your tractor to run poorly, stop running, or prevent it from starting.

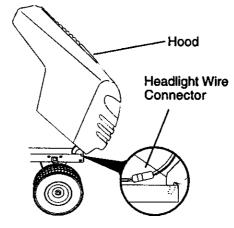
 Check wiring. See electrical wiring diagram in the Repair Parts section.

TO REPLACE FUSE

Replace with 20 amp automotive-type plug-in fuse. The fuse holder is located behind the dash.

TO REMOVE HOOD AND GRILL AS-SEMBLY

- 1. Raise hood.
- 2. Unsnap headlight wire connector.
- Stand in front of tractor. Grasp hood at sides, tilt toward engine and lift off of tractor.
- 4. When replacing hood, be sure to reconnect headlight wire connector.



ENGINE

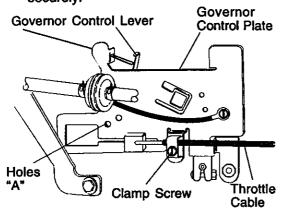
Maintenance, repair, or replacement of the emission control devices and systems, which are being done at the customers expense, may be performed by any non-road engine repair establishment or individual. Warranty repairs must be performed by an authorized engine manufacturer's service outlet.

TO ADJUST THROTTLE CONTROL CABLE

The throttle control has been preset at the factory and adjustment should not be necessary. Check adjustment as described below before loosening cable. If adjustment is necessary, proceed as follows:

1. With engine not running, move throttle control lever from slow to choke position. Slowly move lever from choke to fast position.

 Check that holes "A" in governor control lever and hole in governor plate line-up. If holes "A" are not aligned, loosen clamp screw and move throttle cable until holes are aligned. Tighten clamp screw securely.



TO ADJUST CARBURETOR

NOTE: The carburetor on this engine is low emission. It is equipped with an idle fuel adjusting needle with a limiter cap, which allows some adjustment within the limits allowed by the cap. Do not attempt to remove the limiter cap. The limiter cap cannot be removed without breaking the adjusting needle.

The carburetor has been preset at the factory and adjustment should not be necessary. However, minor adjustment may be required to compensate for differences in fuel, temperature, altitude or load. If the carburetor does need adjustment, proceed as follows: In general, turning idle mixture valve in (clockwise) decreases the supply of fuel to the engine giving a leaner fuel/air mixture. Turning the idle mixture valve out (counterclockwise) increases the supply of fuel to the engine giving a richer fuel/air mixture. IMPORTANT: Damage to the needle valve and the seat in carburetor may result if screw is turned in too tight.

PRELIMINARY SETTING -

- Air cleaner assembly must be assembled to the carburetor when making carburetor adjustments.
- 2. Be sure the throttle control cable is adjusted property (see above).

FINAL SETTING -

- 1. Start engine and allow to warm for five minutes. Make final adjustments with engine running and shift/motion control lever in neutral (N) position.
- 2. Move throttle control lever to slow position. With finger, rotate and hold throttle lever against idle speed screw. Turn idle speed screw to attain 1750 RPM.
- While still holding throttle lever against idle speed screw, turn idle mixture valve full travel clockwise then counterclockwise until engine runs rough. Turn valve to a point midway between those two positions. Release throttle lever.

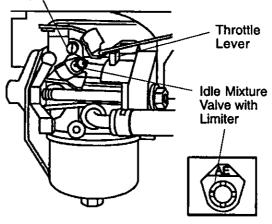
ACCELERATION TEST -

 Move throttle control lever from slow to fast position. If engine hesitates or dies, turn idle mixture valve out (counterclockwise) 1/8 turn. Repeat test and continue to adjust, if necessary, until engine accelerates smoothly.

High speed stop is factory adjusted. Do not adjust or damage may result.

IMPORTANT: Never tamper with the engine governor, which is factory set for proper engine speed. Overspeeding the engine above the factory high speed setting can be dangerous. If you think the engine-governed high speed needs adjusting, contact a Sears or other qualified service center, which has proper equipment and experience to make any necessary adjustments.

Idle Speed Screw



STORAGE

Immediately prepare your tractor for storage at the end of the season or if the tractor will not be used for 30 days or more.

ACAUTION: Never store the tractor with gasoline in the tank inside a building where fumes may reach an open flame or spark. Allow the engine to cool before storing in any enclosure.

TRACTOR

Remove mower from tractor for winter storage. When mower is to be stored for a period of time, clean it thoroughly, remove all dirt, grease, leaves, etc. Store in a clean, dry area.

- Clean entire tractor (See "CLEANING" in the Maintenance section of this manual).
- Inspect and replace belts, if necessary (See belt replacement instructions in the Service and Adjustments section of this manual).
- 3. Lubricate as shown in the Maintenance section of this manual.
- Be sure that all nuts, bolts and screws are securely fastened. Inspect moving parts for damage, breakage and wear. Replace if necessary.
- 5. Touch up all rusted or chipped paint surfaces; sand lightly before painting.

BATTERY

- Fully charge the battery for storage.
- After a period of time in storage, battery may require recharging.
- To help prevent corrosion and power leakage during long periods of storage, battery cables should be disconnected and battery cleaned thoroughly (see "TO CLEAN BATTERY AND TERMI-NALS" in the Maintenance section of this manual).
- After cleaning, leave cables disconnected and place cables where they cannot come in contact with battery terminals.
- If battery is removed from tractor for storage, do not store battery directly on concrete or damp surfaces.

ENGINE

FUEL SYSTEM

IMPORTANT: It is important to prevent gum deposits from forming in essential fuel system parts such as carburetor, fuel hose, or tank during storage. Also, alcohol blended fuels (called gasohol or using ethanol or methanol) can attract moisture which leads to separation and formation of acids during storage. Acidic gas can damage the fuel system of an engine while in storage.

1. Drain the fuel tank.

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- 2. Start the engine and let it run until the fuel lines and carburetor are empty.
- Never use engine or carburetor cleaner products in the fuel tank or permanent damage may occur.
- Use fresh fuel next season.

NOTE: Fuel stabilizer is an acceptable alternative in minimizing the formation of fuel gum deposits during storage. Add stabilizer to gasoline in fuel tank or storage container. Always follow the mix ratio found on stabilizer container. Run engine at least 10 minutes after adding stabilizer to allow the stabilizer to reach the carburetor. Do not drain the gas tank and carburetor if using fuel stabilizer.

ENGINE OIL

Drain oil (with engine warm) and replace with clean engine oil. (See "ENGINE" in the Maintenance section of this manual).

CYLINDER(S)

- 1. Remove spark plug(s).
- 2. Pour one ounce of oil through spark plug hole(s) into cylinder(s).
- 3. Turn ignition key to start position for a few seconds to distribute oil.
- 4. Replace with new spark plug(s).

OTHER

- Do not store gasoline from one season to another.
- Replace your gasoline can if your can starts to rust. Rust and/or dirt in your gasoline will cause problems.
- If possible, store your tractor indoors and cover it to give protection from dust and dirt.
- Cover your tractor with a suitable protective cover that does not retain moisture. Do not use plastic. Plastic cannot breathe which allows condensation to form and will cause your tractor to rust.

IMPORTANT: Never cover tractor while engine and exhaust areas are still warm.

TROUBLESHOOTING CHART:

See appropriate section in manual unless directed to Sears service center

PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
Will not start	 Out of fuel. Engine not "CHOKED" properly. Engine flooded. Bad spark plug. Dirty air filter. Dirty fuel filter. Water in fuel. 	 Fill fuel tank. See "TO START ENGINE" in Operation section. Wait several minutes before attempting to start. Replace spark plug. Clean/replace air filter. Replace fuel filter. Drain fuel tank and carburetor, refill tank with fresh gasoline and replace
	 8. Loose or damaged wiring. 9. Carburetor out of adjustment. 10. Engine valves out of adjustment. 	 fuel filter. 8. Check all wiring. 9. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service and Adjustments section. 10. Contact a Sears or other
	adjustment.	qualified service center.
Hard to start	 Dirty air filter. Bad spark plug. Weak or dead battery. 	 Clean/replace air filter. Replace spark plug. Recharge or replace battery.
	 Dirty fuel filter. Stale or dirty fuel. 	 Replace fuel filter. Drain fuel tank and refill with fresh gasoline.
	 Loose or damaged wiring. Carburetor out of adjustment. 	 Check all wiring. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service and Adjustments section.
	 Engine valves out of adjustment. 	8. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.
Engine will not turn over	 Clutch/brake pedal not depressed. Attachment clutch is engaged. Weak or dead battery. 	 Depress clutch/brake pedal. Disengage attachment clutch. Recharge or replace battery.
	 Blown fuse. Corroded battery terminals. Loose or damaged wiring. Faulty ignition switch. 	 4. Replace fuse. 5. Clean battery terminals. 6. Check all wiring. 7. Check/replace ignition switch.
	8. Faulty solenoid or starter.	8. Check/replace solenoid or starter.
	 Faulty operator presence switch(es). 	 Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.
Engine clicks but will not start	 Weak or dead battery. Corroded battery terminals. Loose or damaged wiring. Faulty solenoid or starter. 	 Recharge or replace battery. Clean battery terminals. Check all wiring. Check/replace solenoid or starter.

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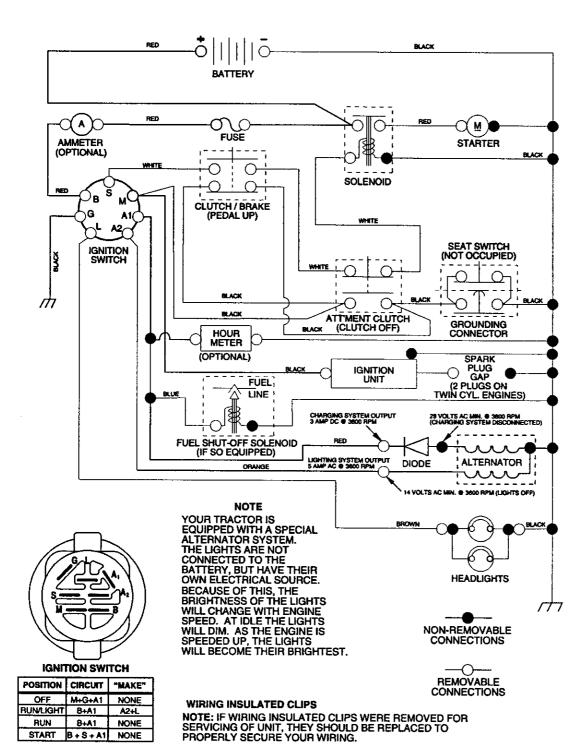
PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
Loss of power	 Cutting too much grass/too fast. Throttle in "CHOKE" position. Build-up of grass, leaves and trash under mower. Dirty air filter. Low oil level/dirty oil. Faulty spark plug. Dirty fuel filter. Stale or dirty fuel. Water in fuel. Water in fuel. Spark plug wire loose. Dirty/clogged muffler. Loose or damaged wiring. Carburetor out of adjustment. 	 Set in "Higher Cut" position/ reduce speed. Adjust throttle control. Clean underside of mower housing. Clean/replace air filter. Check oil level/change oil. Clean and regap or change spark plug. Replace fuel filter. Drain fuel tank and refill with fresh gasoline. Drain fuel tank and carbure tor, refill tank with fresh gasoline and replace fuel filter. Connect and tighten spark plug wire. Clean/replace muffler. Check all wiring. See "To Adjust Carburetor" in Service and Adjustments section. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.
Excessive vibration	 Worn, bent or loose blade. Bent blade mandrel. Loose/damaged part(s). 	 Replace blade. Tighten blade bolt. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center. Tighten loose part(s). Replace damaged parts.
Engine continues to run when operator leaves seat with with attachment clutch engaged	 Faulty operator-safety presence control system. 	 Check wiring, switches and connections. If not contact a Sears or other qualified service center.
Poor cut - uneven	 Worn, bent or loose blade. Mower deck not level. Buildup of grass, leaves, and trash under mower. Bent blade mandrel. Clogged mower deck vent holes from buildup of grass, leaves, and trash around mandrels. 	 Replace blade. Tighten blade bolt. Level mower deck. Clean underside of mower housing. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center. Clean around mandrels to open vent holes.

TROUBLESHOOTING CHART:

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PROBLEM	CAUSE	CORRECTION
Mower blades will not rotate	 Obstruction in clutch mechanism. Worn/damaged mower drive belt. Frozen idler pulley. Frozen blade mandrel. 	 Remove obstruction. Replace mower drive belt. Replace idler pulley. Contact a Sears or other qualified service center.
Poor grass discharge	 Engine speed too slow. Travel speed too fast. Wet grass. Mower deck not level. Low/uneven tire air pressure. Worn, bent or loose blade. Buildup of grass, leaves and trash under mower. Mower drive belt worn. Blades improperly installed. Improper blades used. Clogged mower deck vent holes from buildup of grass, leaves, and trash around mandrels. 	 Place throttle control in "FAST" position. Shift to slower speed. Allow grass to dry before mowing. Level mower deck. Check tires for proper air pressure. Replace/sharpen blade. Tighten blade bolt. Clean underside of mower housing. Replace mower drive belt. Reinstall blades sharp edge down. Replace with blades listed in this manual. Clean around mandrels to open vent holes.
Headlight(s) not working (if so equipped)	 Switch is "OFF". Bulb(s) or lamp(s) burned out Faulty light switch. Loose or damaged wiring. Blown fuse. 	 Turn switch "ON". Replace bulb(s) or lamp(s). Check/replace light switch. Check wiring and connections. Replace fuse.
Battery will not charge	 Bad battery cell(s). Poor cable connections. Faulty regulator (if so equipped). Faulty alternator. 	 Replace battery. Check/clean all connections. Replace regulator. Replace alternator.
Engine "backfires" when turning engine "OFF"	 Engine throttle control not set at "SLOW" position for 30 seconds before stopping engine. 	 Move throttle control to "SLOW" position and allow to idle for 30 seconds before stopping engine.

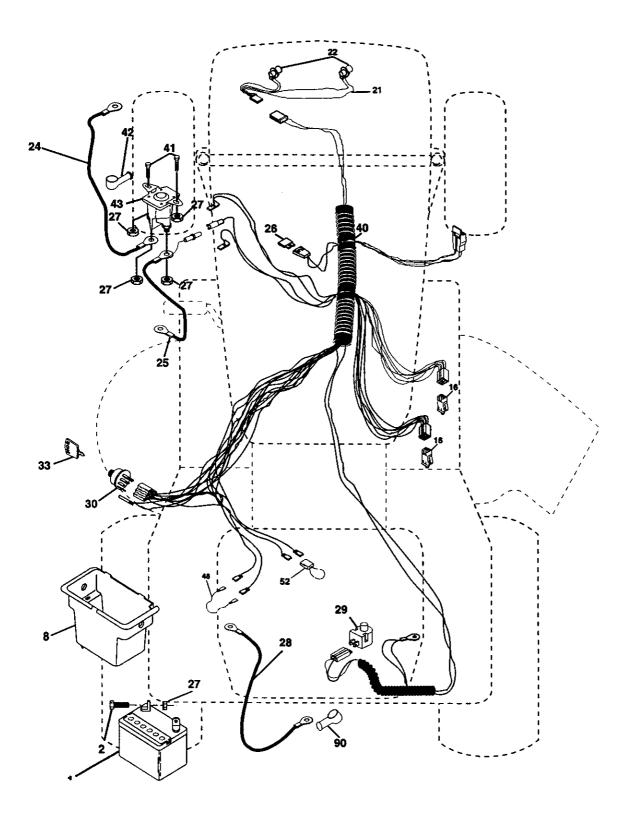
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REPAIR PARTS

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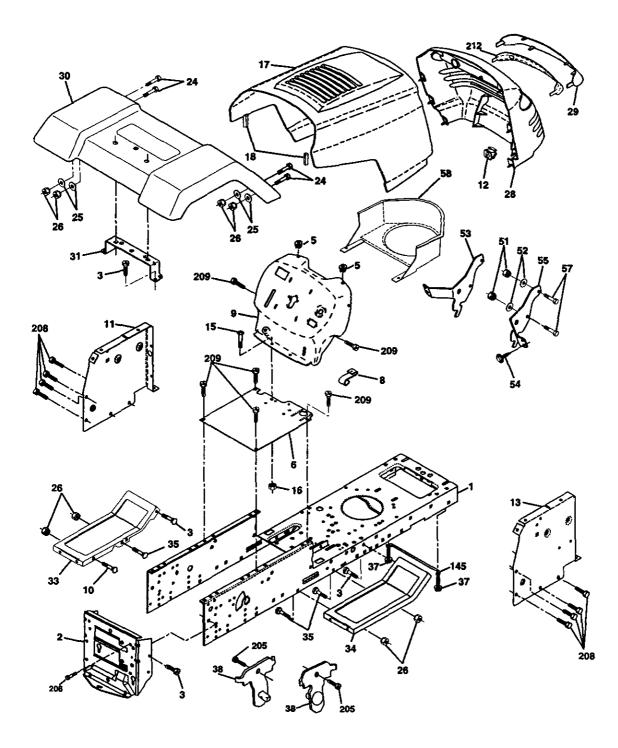


ELECTRICAL

	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1 2	163465 74760412	Battery Bolt, Hex Head 1/4-20 unc x 3/4
8	176689	Box Battery Fender
16	176138	Switch, Interlock
21	175685	Harness, Light Socket (Includes 4152J)
22		Bulb, Light
24	4799J	Cable, Battery, 6 Gauge, Red, 11*
	146147	Cable, Battery, 6 Gauge, Red, W/16 Wire
26		Fuse
27	73510400	Nut Keps Hex 1/4-20 UNC
28	4207J	Cable, Ground, 6 Gauge, Black, 12"
29	121305X	Switch, Plunger
30	175566	Switch, Ignition
33	140401	Key, Ignition
40	179720	Harness, Ignition
41	71110408	Bolt, Hex Head, Fin. 1/4-20 x 1/2
42	131563	Cover, Terminal, Red
43	178861	Solenoid
	140844	Adaptor Ammeter Rectangular
52	141940	Protection Wire Loop
90	180449	Cover Terminal Battery

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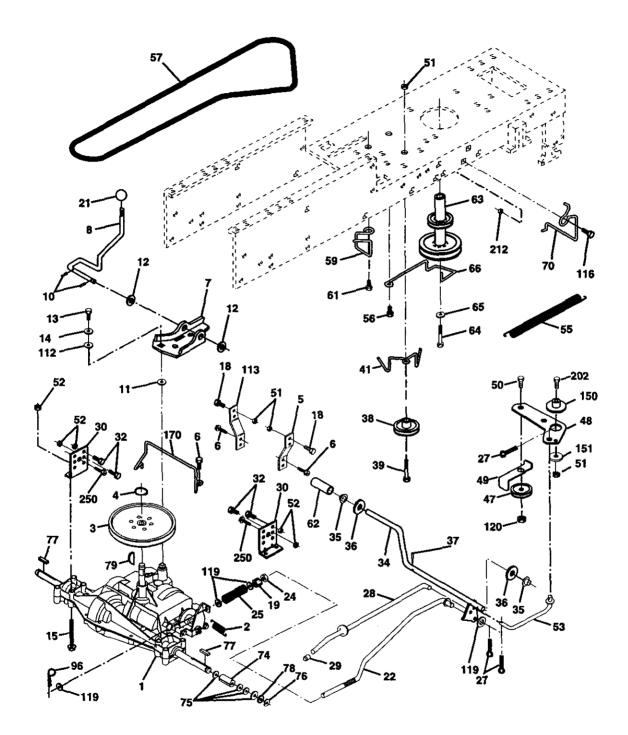


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KEY	PART	
NO.		DESCRIPTION
1	174620	Chassis
2	176554	Drawbar
3	17060612	Screw 3/8-16 x 3/4
5	155272	Bumper Hood/Dash
6	174643X014	Saddle Sikscr Fit LT
8	155138	Clip Retainer Slide-On
9	168347X011	Dash
10	72140608	Bolt Rdhd Sqnk 3/8-16unc X 1
11	174996	Panel Dash LH
12	145660	Clip Tinnerman Grille P/L
13	172105X010	
15	74180512	Screw Mach TRHD 5/16-18 unc x 3/4
16 17	73510500	Nut Keps 5/16-18 Unc
18	159639X558	
24	126938X 74780616	Bumper Hood
25	19131312	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16 unc x 1 Gr. 5 Washer 13/32 X 13/16 x 12 Ga
26	73800600	Nut Hex Lock W/Ins. 3/8-16 Unc
28	179777	Grille/Lens Asm
29	150209X599	
30	169465X558	
31	136619	Bracket Fender Repl 109873x
33	179716X558	
34	179717X558	Footrest Pnt Rh
35	72110606	Bolt Rdhd Sht Sqnk 3/8-16 x 3/4
37	17490508	Screw Thdrol 5/16-18 x 1/2
38	175710	Bracket Asm Pivot Mower Rear
51	73800400	Nut Lock Hex w/Ins 1/4-20
52	19091416	Washer 9/32 x 7/8 x 16 Ga.
53	144697	Bracket, Grille LH
54	161464	Screw
55	144696	Bracket, Grille RH
57	74780412	Bolt Hex 1/4-20 x 3/4
58	150127	Air Duct P/L
145	156524	Rod Pivot Chassis/Hood
205	17490608	Screw Thdrol 3/8-16 x 1/2
206 208	170165 17670608	Bolt Shoulder 5/16-18
208	17000612	Screw thdrol 3/8-16 x 1/2
212	156494	Screw Hex Wsh Thdrol 3/8-16 Insert Lens Reflective
	5479J	Plug Button Blk 359 Dia Choke
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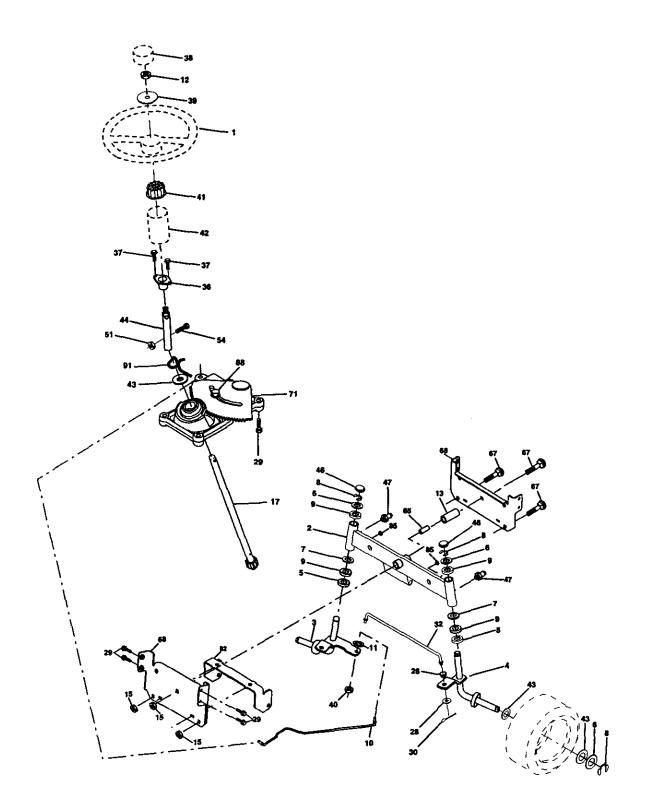
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GROUND DRIVE

	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1		Transaxle Dana D4360-139	48	154407	Bellcrank Asm. Clutch
		(Order parts from transaxle	40 49	123205X	Retainer Belt Style Spring
		Manufacturer)	49 50	74760624	Bolt Hex Hd 3/8-16unc x1-1/2
2	146682	Spring Return Brake T/a Zinc	51	73680600	Nut Crownlock 3/8-16 UNC
3	123666X	Pulley Transaxle 18/20" tires	52	73680500	Nut Crown Lock 5/16-18
4	12000028	Ring Retainer # 5100-62	53	105710X	Link Clutch 7 66
5	121520X	Strap Torque 30 Degrees	55	105709X	Spring Return Clutch 6 75
5 6	17000512	Screw 5/16-18 x 3/4	56	17060620	Screw 3/8-16 x 1-1/4
ž	162240	Bracket Saddle Shift T/a	57	160855	V-Belt Gd Drive 9530
8	131679	Rod Shf Sdi LY/YT Str Blk	59	169691	Keeper Belt Centerspan
10	76020416	Pin Cotter 1/8 x 1 Cad	61	17120614	Screw 3/8-16 x .875
11	105701X	Washer Plate 388 Sq Hole	62	8883R	Cover Pedal Blk Round
12	19151216	Washer 15/32 x 3/4 x 16ga	63	175410	Pulley Eng Ci Cable
13	74550412	Bolt 1/4-28unf Gr8 W/Patch	64	71170764	Bolt Hex 7/16-20 x 4 Gr 5
14	10040400	Washer Lock Hvy Helical 1/4	65	10040700	Washer Lock Hicl Spr 7/16
15	74490544	Bolt Hex Flahd 5/16-18 x Gr. 5	66	154778	Keeper Belt Engine FP
18	74780616	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16 UNC x 1 Gr.	70	134683	Guide Belt Mower Drive RH
5			74	109502X	Spacer Axle
19	73800600	Nut Lock Hex W/Ins. 3/8-16 Unc	75	121749X	Washer 25/32 x 1-1/4 x16 Ga
21	106933X	Knob Rd 1/2-13 Pistc Thds	76	12000001	E-ring #5133-75
22	130804	Rod Brake Blk Zinc 26 840	$\tilde{\tau}$	123583X	Key Šquare 2 0 x 1845/ 1865
24	73350600	Nut Hex Jam 3/8-16 Unc	78	121748X	Washer 25/32 x1-5/8 x 16 Ga
25	106888X	Spring Rod Brake 2 00 Zinc	79	2228M	Key Woodruff #9 3/16 x 3/4
27	76020412	Pin Cotter 1/8 x 3/4 Cad	96	4497H	Retainer Spring 1
28	175765	Rod Brake Parking Lt/Yt	112	19091210	Washer 9/32 x 3/4 x 10 Ga
29	71673	Cap Brake Parking	113	127285X	Strap Torque LH LT
30	174973	Bracket Mtg Transaxle	116	72140608	Bolt 3/8-16 x 1
32	74760512	Bolt Hex Hd 5/16-18unc x 3/4	119	19131016	Washer 13/32 x 5/8 x 16 Ga
34	175578	Shaft Asm Pedal Foot Nibbed	120	73900600	Nut Lock Fig 3/8-16
35	120183X	Bearing Nylon Blk 629 ld	150	175456	Spacer Retainer
36	19211616	Washer 21/32 x 1 x 16 Ga	151	19133210	Washer 13/32 x 2 x 10 Ga.
37	1572H	Pin Roll 3/16 x 1"	170	178394	Keeper Belt Transaxle Gear
38	179114	Pulley Composite Flat	202	72110614	Bolt Carr. Sh 3/8-16 x 1-3/4 Gr. 5
39	74760648	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16 UNC x 3 Gr.	212	145212	Nut Hex Flange Lock
5			250	17060612	Screw 3/8-16 x 3/4
41	175556	Keeper Belt Idler	NOT	E: All compo	nent dimensions given in U.S.
47	127783	Pulley Idler V Groove Plastic		= 1 inch $= 25$	

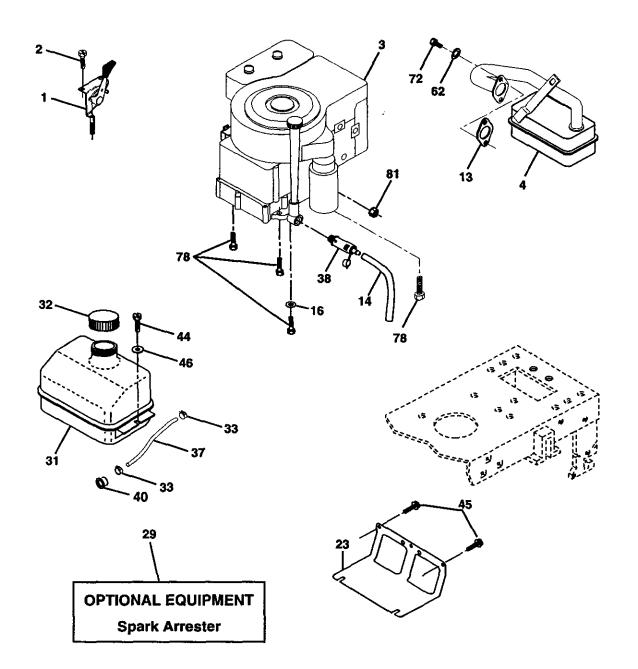
STEERING



STEERING

	PART	
NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	140044X428	Steering Wheel
2	175131	Axle Assembly
3	169840	Spindle Assembly, L.H.
4	169839	Spindle Assembly, R.H.
5	6266H	Bearing, Race, Thrust, Hardened
6	121748X	Washer 25/32 x 1-5/8 x 16 Gauge
7	19272016	Washer 27/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Gauge
8	12000029	Ring, Klip
9	3366R	Bearing, Steering Column
10	175121	Draglink
11	10040600	Washer, Lock
12 13	73940800	Nut Hex Jam Toplock 1/2-20
15	136518 145212	Spacer Bearing Axle Front
15	180641	Hexflange Lock
26	126847X	Shaft Assembly, Steering
28	19131416	Bushing, Link, Drag Washer 13/32 x 7/8 x 16 Gauge
29	17060612	Screw, 3/8-16 x 3/4
30	76020412	Pin
32	130465	Rod, Tie
36	155099	Bushing, Steering
37	152927	Screw
38	140045X428	
39	19183812	Washer 9/16 x 2-3/8
40	7810H	Gripco Nut
41	100711L	Adaptor, Steering Wheel
42	145054X428	
43	121749X	Washer 25/32 x 1-1/4 x 16 Gauge
44	180460	Shaft Extension Steering
46	121232X	Cap, Spindle
47	6855M	Fitting, Grease
51	73540400	Nut 1/4-28
54	71130420	Bolt Hex 1/4-28 x 1-1/4
65	160367	Spacer Brace Axle
67	72140618	Bolt, Rdhd Sq 3/8-16 UNC x 2-1/4
68	169827	Axle, Brace
71	175146	Steering Asm
82	169835	Bracket Susp Chassis Front
85	133835	Fastener Christmas Tree
88	175118	Shoulder Bolt
91	175553	Clip Steering

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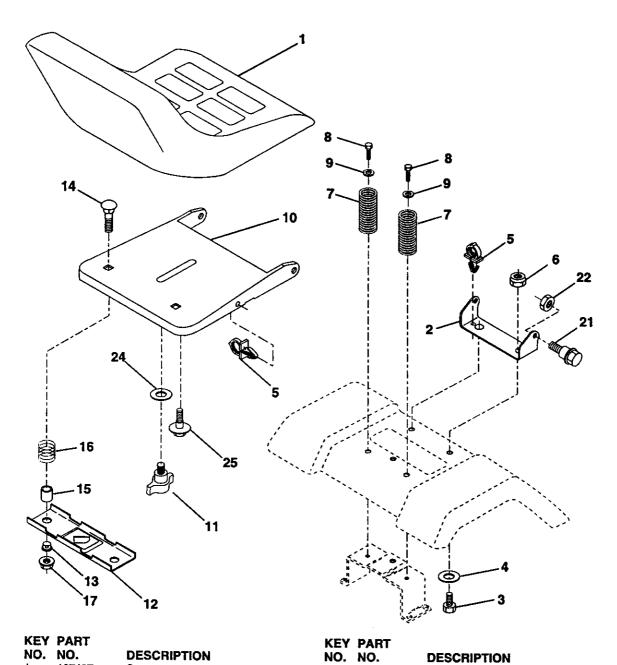
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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	170551	Control Th/ch
2	17720408	Screw Hex Thd Cut 1/4-20 x 1/2
3		Engine Briggs Model 287707-1259-E1 (Order parts from Engine Manufacturer)
4	137352	Muffler
13	165291	Gasket Eng 1 313 Id Tin Plated
14	148456	Tube Drain Oil Easy
16	11050600	Washer Lock Ext Tooth 3/8
23	169837	Shield Browning
29	137180	Kit Spark Arrestor (Flat Scrn)
31	109202X	Tank Fuel Front 1 25
32	158990	Cap Asm Fuel
33	123487X	Clamp Hose Blk
37	137040	Line Fuel 20"
38	148315	Plug Drain Oil Easy
40	124028X	Bushing Snap Nyl Blk Fuel Line
44	17670412	Screw Hexwsh Thdrol 1/4-20 x 3/4
45	17000612	Screw Hex Wsh Thdrol 3/8-16
46	19091416	Washer 9/32 x 7/8 x 16 ga
62	10040500	Washer Lock Hvy HICI Spr 5/16
72		Screw Hexhd Cap 5/16-18 x 3/4
78	17060620	Screw 3/8-16 x 1-1/4
81	73510400	Nut Keps Hex 1/4-20 UNC

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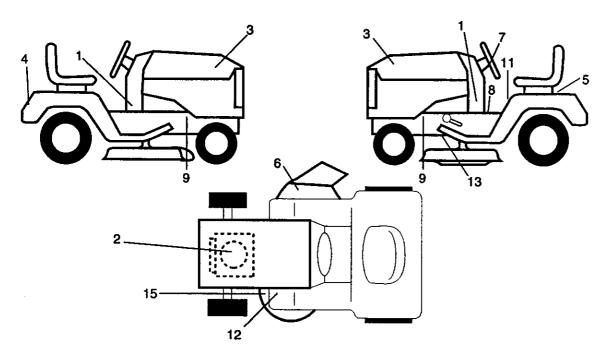
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1	127427	Seat
2	140551	Bracket Pvt St
3	71110616	Bolt Fin Hex 3/8-16unc x 1
4	19131610	Washer Fiat 13/32 x1 x10 Ga
5	145006	Clip Push-In Hinged
6	73800600	Locknut Hex W/Wsh 3/8-16
7	124181X	Spring Seat Cprsn 2 250 Blk
8	17000616	Screw 3/8-16 x 1
9	19131614	Washer 13/32 x 1 x 14 Ga
10	182493	Pan Seat
11	166369	Knob Seat Adj. Wingnut
12	121246X	Bracket Mounting Switch

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13	121248X	Bushing Snap Blk Nyl 50 Id
14	72050412	Bolt Rdhd Sht 1/4-20x1-1/2
15	134300	Spacer Split 28x 96 Yel Zinc
16	121250X	Spring Cprsn 1 27 Blk Pnt
17	123976X	Nut Lock 1/4 Lge Fig Gr 5
21	171852	Bolt Shid 5/16-18 Unc
22	73800500	Nut Lock Hex W/Ins 5/16-18
24	19171912	Washer 17/32 x1-3/16x12 Ga
25	127018X	Bolt Shoulder 5/16-18 x 62

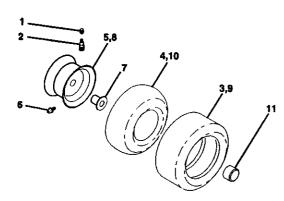
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DECALS



KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	177097	Decal Lower Dash	11	145498	Decal Fender Danger
2	176675	Decal Engine	12	159737	Decal, Clutch/Brake Eng
3	171704	Decal Hood	13	146046	Decal V-Beit Dr Sch tractor
4	163204	Decal Fender	15	136832	Decal V-Belt sch
5	145005	Decal Battery Danger		138311	Decal Handle Lft Height
6	182166	Decal Cutfinger CE .02			Adjust (Lift Handle)
7	172275	Decal Steering		162598	Decal Draw Bar Load Limit
8	140837	Decal Brake Parking Saddle		183210	Owner's Manual, English
9	159736	Decal Chassis Hot Muffler		183211	Owner's Manual, Spanish

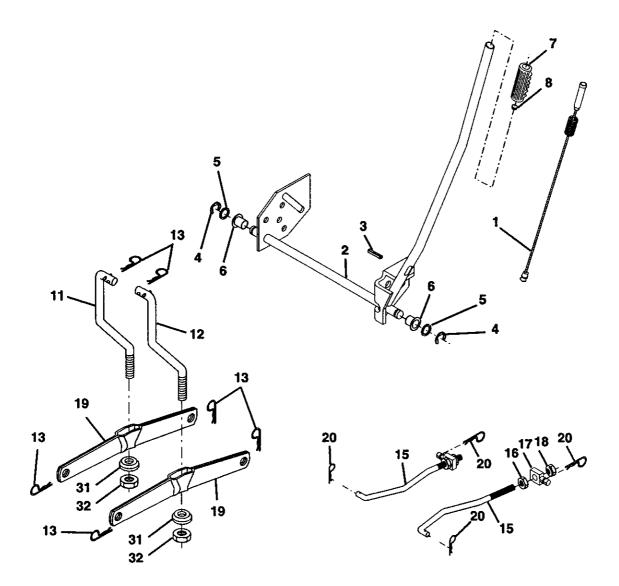
WHEELS AND TIRES



KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	59192	Cap Valve Tire
2	65139	Stem Valve
3	106222X	Tire F Ts 15 X 6 0 - 6 Service
4	59904	Tube Front (Service Item Only)
5	106732X427	Rim Asm 6"front White Service
6	278H	Fitting Grease (Front Wheel Only)
7	9040H	Bearing Flange (front Wheel
8	106108X427	Rim Asm 8"rear White Service
9	124635X	Tire Rear
10	7152J	Tube Rear (Service Item Only)
11	104757X428	
• •	144334	Sealant, Tire (10 oz. Tube)

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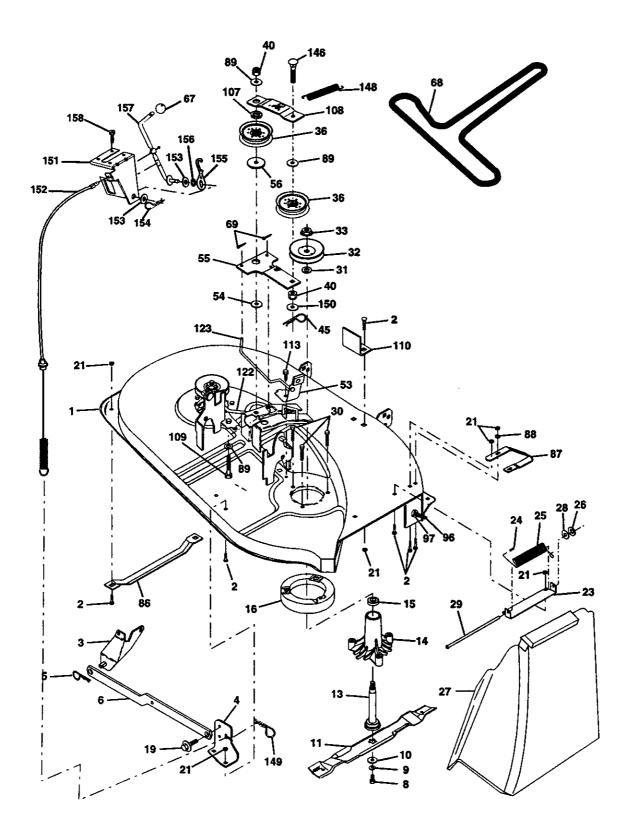
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NO.	NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	159460	Wire Asm Inner W/plunger
2	159471	Shaft Asm Lift
3	105767X	Pin Groove 1 500 Zinc
4	12000002	E Ring #5133-62
5	19211621	Washer Pltd 21/32 X 1 X 21ga
6	120183X	Bearing Nylon Blk 629 Id
7	125631X	Grip Handle Fluted Blk
8	122365X	Button Plunger Red
11	139865	Link Lift LH
12	139866	Link Lift RH
13	493 9M	Retainer Spring
15	173288	Link Front
16	73350800	Nut Jam Hex 1/2-13 Unc
17	175689	Trunnion Blk Zinc
18	73800800	Nut Lock w/Wsh 1/2-13 UNC
19	139868	Arm Suspension Rear
20	163552	Retainer Spring Zinc
31	169865	Bearing Pvt Lift
32	73540600	Nut Crownlock 3/8-24

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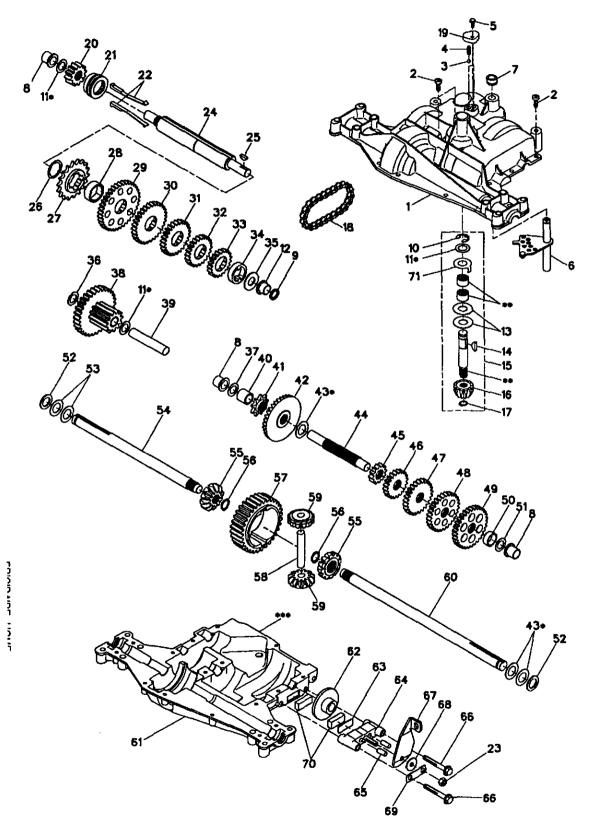


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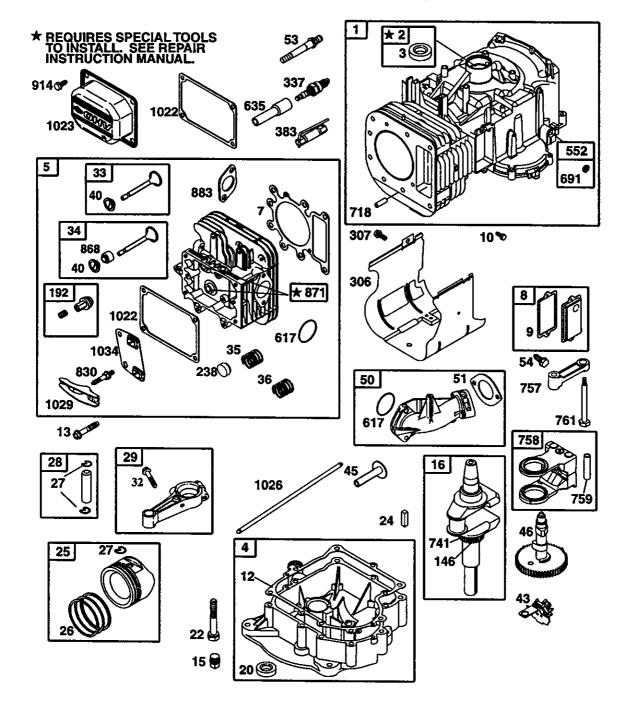
KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION			
1	170280	Mower Housing Assembly	67	149846	Knob			
2	72140506	Bolt, Carriage 5/16-18 x 3/4	68	144200	Beit			
3	138017	Bracket Asm. Fram Sway Bar	69	76020312	Pin, Cotter 3/32 x 3/4			
4	169970	Bracket, Asm. Deck Sway	86	7631J	Runner, LH			
		Bar	87	128772	Runner, RH			
5	4939M	Retainer, Spring	88	19111216	Washer 11/32 x 3/4 x 16 Ga			
6	178024	Bar Sway Deck	89	19131612	Washer 13/32 x 1 x 12 Ga			
8	850857	Bolt, Hex 3/8-24 x 1-1/4 Gr 8	96	74930620	Bolt 3/8-16 x 1-1/4			
9	10030600	Washer, Lock, Hicl Sprg 3/8	97	73930600	Nut Centerlock 3/8-16			
10	140296	Washer, Hard Blade Mower	107	133502	Spacer, Retainer			
		Vented	108	133503	Stiffener, Idler Arm			
11	134148	Blade, Mower, Mulching 38*	109	74760640	Bolt, Hex Head 3/8-16 x2-1/2			
13	137645	Shaft and Bearing Assembly	110	142587	Upstop Deck Front 38"			
		(Includes Key Number 15)	113	17060512	Screw 5/16-18 x 3/4			
14	128774	Mandrel Housing, Vented	122	131289	Rod, Brake, LH			
15	110485X	Ball Bearing, Mandrel	123	169971	Rod, Brake, RH			
16	174493	Stripper, Mower, Vented	146	165891	Bolt Carriage Idler			
19	132827	Boit, Shoulder	148	169022	Spring Return Idler			
21	73680500	Nut, Crownlock 5/16-18	149	165898	Retainer Spring Yellow Zinc			
23	137607	Bracket, Mower Deflector	150	19091216	Washer 9/32 x 3/4 x 16 Ga.			
24	105304X	Cap, Sleeve	151	169670	Bracket Clutch			
25	123713X	Spring, Deflector	152	172758	Cable Clutch 38 In			
26	110452X	Nut, Push	153	169674	Washer Flat 3/8" Type B			
27	106736X428	Shield, Deflector	154	169675	Spring Retainer			
28	19111016	Washer 11/32 x 3/4 x 16 Ga	155	169671	Spring Retention Lever			
29	106735X	Rod, Hinge	156	169672	Spacer			
30	173984	Screw, Thdro	157	169669	Rod Clutch			
31	129963	Washer, Spacer	158	17720408	Screw Hex Thd Cut			
32	153532	Pulley, Mandrel			1/4-20 x 1/2			
33	178342	Nut, Flangelock 9/16		130794	Mandrel Assembly (Includes			
36	131494	Pulley, Idler, Flat			Housing, Shaft and Shaft			
40	73680600	Nut Crownlock 3/8-16			Hardware Only-Pulley Not			
45	4497H	Retainer, Spring			Included)			
53	130840	Brake Assembly		171665	Replacement Mower, Complete			
54	133943	Washer Hardened						
55	133840	Idler Arm Assembly	NOTE	: All compon	ent dimensions given in U.S.			
56	165723	Spacer, Retainer	inches 1 inch = 25.4 mm					

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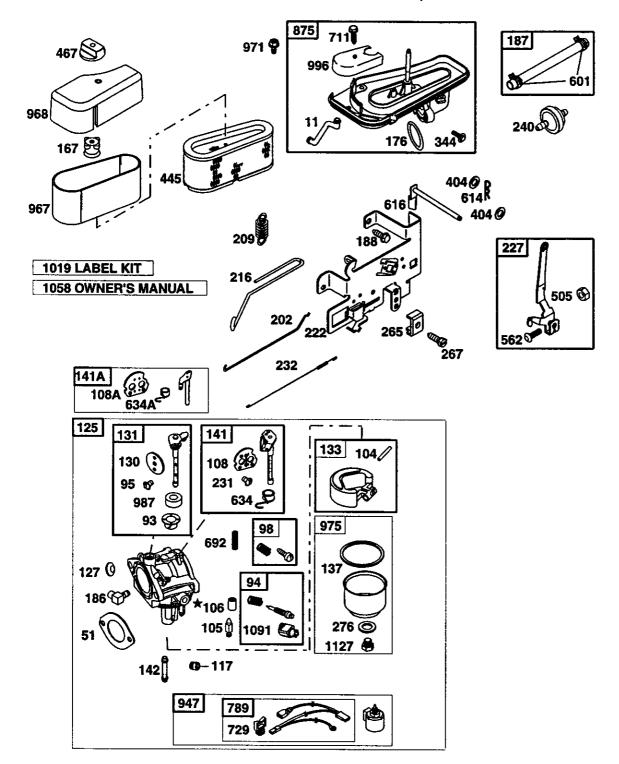
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KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION	KEY NO.	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	170981	Housing, Upper	41	105928X	Sprocket, 9T
2	2274J	Screw, Tapping, 1/4-20 X	42	170988	Gear, Bevel, 36T
~	101100	.734	43	134394	Assy, Kit, Shim, .750 Shaft
3 4	134400	Ball, Detent	44 45	120473X	Shaft, Drive
5.	105904X 160940	Spring, Detent Screw, Tapping, No. 10-24 X	45 46	142678 124641 X	Gear, Spur, 12T Gear, Spur, 20T
J	100340	.482	47	106589X	Gear, Spur, 25T
6	138235	Assy, Kit, Shifter	48	120408X	Gear, Spur, 28T
7	108727X	V-Ring	49	105937X	Gear, Spur, 31T
8	148266	Bearing, Flange	50	105936X	Spacer, .781 X 1.00 X .375
9	148269	Seal, Oil	51	2226J	Washer, Plain, .632 X 1.00
10	2225J	Ring, Retaining			X .060
11 12	134793 *	Assy, Kit, Shim, .625 Shaft	52 53	134401	Washer, Neoprene
13	148268 120415X	Bearing, Flange Washer, Plain, .632 X 1.38	53	2264J	Washer, Plain, .758 X 1.25 X .031
10	1204137	X .046	54	160946	Axle, LH
14	142674	Key, Woodruff, No. 9	55	170990	Gear, Miter, T, Splined
15	170983	Assy, Kit, Input Shaft	56	160948	Ring, Retaining
16	170986	Pinion, Bevel, 12T	57	110071X	Gear, Spur, 32T
17	105909X	Ring, Retaining	58	120952X	Shaft, Cross
18	105910X	Chain, 24 Pitches	59	170991	Gear, Miter, 1 2T, Idler
19	160942	Cover, Detent	60	160950	Axle, RH
20 21	160943	Gear, Spur, 1 2T	61	170992	Housing, Lower
22	148267 138236	Collar, Clutch	62 63	7294J	Disc, Brake
23	73810500	Assy, Kit, Clutch Keys Nut, Lock, 5/16-24	64	108989X 160952	Spacer, Brake Puck Jaw, Brake
24	142676	Shaft, Intermediate	65	120954X	Pin, Dowel
25	2244J	Key, Woodruff, No. 61	66	160953	Screw, Tapping, 5/16-18 X
26	105916X	Ring, Retaining	••		2.35
27	12047OX	Sprocket, 1 8T	67	138244	Lever, Actuating
28	110070X	Spacer, 1. 131 X 1.45 X .494	68	108996X	Washer, Plain, .321 X 1.00 X .055
29	142677	Gear, Spur, 37T	69	160954	Bracket, Anti-Rotation
30	124644X	Gear, Spur, 30T	70	120951X	Puck, Friction
31 32	108980X	Gear, Spur, 25T	71	174256	Washer, Anti Rotation
33	120406X 134796	Gear, Spur, 22T	72	120416X	Grease
34	134797	Gear, Spur, 1 9T Spacer, 1. 133 X 1.50 X	ΝΟΤ		onent dimensions given in U.S.
04	104/3/	.375		1 inch = 25	
35	105925X	Washer, Plain, .640 X 1.37 X .061			combinations to maintain
36	2228J	Washer, Plain, .632 X 1.00 X .046		er clearances	
37	170987	Washer, Plain, .632 X 1.00 X .031	**0	rder Key No.	15.
38	174255	Assy, Gear, Comb., 12T &	* * *	Silicone Sea	lant to be applied between
39	124639X	30T Shaft, Idler	Oppe	Silicope 550	Housings (use Loctite Ultra
40	120472X	Spacer, .633 X .87 X .755	Giay	Sucone 208	9 or equivalent).
••		opuser, 1000 A 101 A 1100			

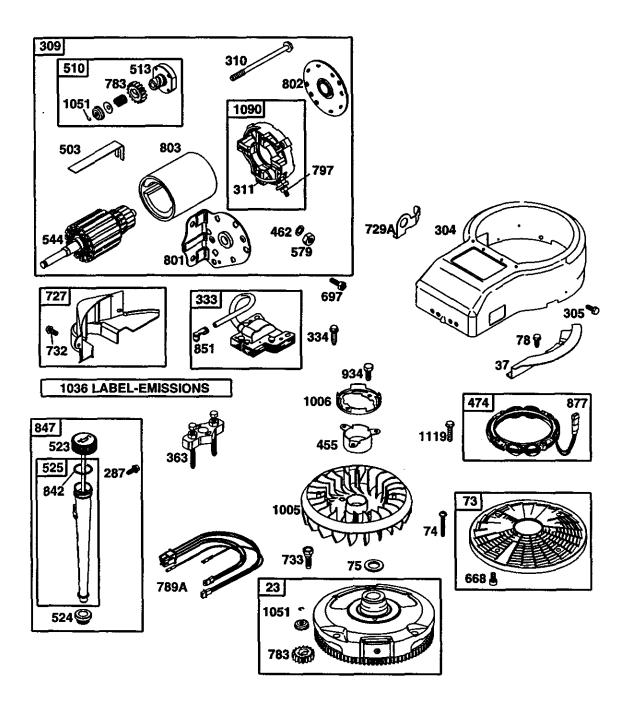


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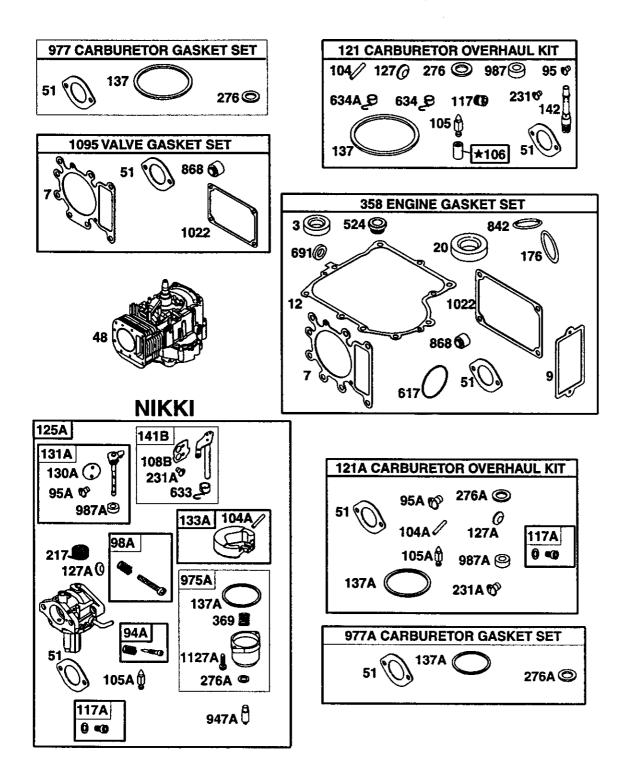
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KEY NO.	PART NO.		DESCRIPTION		KEY NO.	PART NO.		DESCRIPTION
1	496412		Cylinder Assembly		108	6904 6 4		Valve-Choke
2 3 4 5 7	399265 391086 494238	٠	Kit-Bushing/Seal Seal-Oil (Magneto Side) Sump-Engine		108A	692344		(Manual Choke) Valve-Choke (Choke-A-Matic)
5	691165		Head-Cylinder			695419	a	Valve-Choke
8	273280 495735	*+	Gasket-Cylinder Head Breather Assembly		117	692411	6	Jet-Main (Standard) Jet-Main (High Altitude)
9 10	27803 691666	٠	Gasket-Breather Screw (Breather Assembly)		117A	695415 695416	øø	Jet-Main (Standard)
11	691328		Tube-Breather		121	690191	Ð	Kit-Carburetor Overhaul
12	692226	•	Gasket-Crankcase (.015 Thick, Std)		121A	695427		(Walbro) Kit-Carburetor Overhaul
	692406	٠	Gasket-Crankcase (.005					(Nikki)
	692405	•	Thick) Gasket-Crankcase (.009		125 125A	690194		Carburetor Carburetor (Nikki) (Service
13	690360		Thick) Screw (Cylinder Head)		127	695005	a	with Walbro Carburetor) Plug-Welch
15	690946		Plug-Oil Drain		127A	690727	ø	Plug-Welch
16 20	690136 291675		Crankshaft Seal-Oil		130	691750 695418		Valve-Throttle Valve-Throttle
22	692125	-	Screw (Crankcase Cover)		131	494379		Kit-Throttle Shaft
23	693557		Flywheel		131A	695421		Kit-Throttle Shaft
24 25	222698 499284		Key-Flywheel Piston Assembly (Standard)			494381 695914		Float-Carburetor Float-Carburetor
20	499288		Piston Assembly (.010 O.S.)					Gasket-Float Bowl
	499292		Piston Assembly (.020 O.S.)				؇	Gasket-Float Bowl
26	495979 495854		Piston Assembly (.030 O.S.) Ring Set-Piston (Standard)		141	495097		Kit-Choke Shaft (Manual Choke)
	495852		Ring Set-Piston (.010 O.S.)		141A	495931		Kit-Choke Shaft (Choke-A-
	495851 495855		Ring Set-Piston (.020 O.S.) Ring Set-Piston (.030 O.S.)		1418	695420		Matic) Kit-Choke Shaft
27	691299		Lock-Piston Pin		142	692412		Nozzle-Carburetor
28	498319		Pin-Piston (Standard)		146	691639		Key-Timing
29	498320 692419		Pin-Piston (.020 O.S.) Rod-Connecting (Standard)		167 176	692297 691917		Air Cleaner Stud Seal O-Ring Seal (Air Cleaner)
	499940		Rod-Connecting (.020 U.S.)		186	692317		Connector-Hose
32	692852 495856		Screw (Connecting Rod) Valve-Exhaust		187	691050		Line-Fuel (Cut to Required
33 34	495857		Valve-Intake		188	691693		Length) Screw (Control Bracket)
35	691279		Spring-Valve (Intake)		192	691986		Adjuster-Rocker Arm
36 37	691279 690456		Spring-Valve (Exhaust) Guard-Flywheel		202 209	691841 692208		Link-Mechanical Governor Spring-Governor
40	691752		Retainer-Valve		216	691840		Link-Choke
43	691968		Slinger-Governor/Oil		217	695409		Spring-Choke Return
45 46	690564 692421		Tappet-Valve Camshaft		222 227	694042 691374		Bracket-Control Control Lever-Governor
48	496050		Short Block (311707-0028-		231	691636	Ø	
50	690193		E1 Replacement Engine) Manifold-Intake			690718		Screw (Choke Valve)
51		Ø:	+ Gasket-Intake		232 238	691842 691843		Spring-Governor Link Cap-Valve
53	690227		Stud (Carburetor)		240	394358		Filter-Fuel
54 73	691148 690492		Screw (Intake Manifold) Screen-Rotating		265 267	691024 695134		Clamp-Casing
74	691655		Screw (Rotating Screen)		207	055134		Screw (Casing Clamp)
75	690582		Washer (Flywheel)		RPM	Settings:		Low Speed: 1900-2100
78 93	690661 690602		Screw (Flywheel Guard) Bushing-Throttle Shaft					High Speed: 3000-3200
94	498030		Kit-Idle Mixture		•		l in	Engine Gasket Set, Key. No.
94A 95	695425 691636	ø	Kit-Idle Mixture Screw (Throttle Valve)		ø	358 Included	i in l	Carburetor Overhaul Kit, Key.
95A	690718	Ø	Screw (Throttle Valve)			No. 121	and	d 121A
98 98A	495800 695408		Kit-Idle Speed Kit-Idle Speed		‡	No. 977		Carburetor Gasket Set, Key.
104	690525	Ø	Pin-Float Hinge		+	Included		Valve Gasket Set, Key. No.
104A 105	694918 231855		Pin-Float Hinge Valve-Float Needle			1095		- -
105A	694922	Ø	Valve-Float Needle		NOT	E: All cor	npo	nent dimensions given in U.S.
106	691780		Seat-Inlet	54	inche	s 1 inch =		

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KEY PART NO. NO.	DESCRIPTION	NO	PART NO.	DESCRIPTION
NO. NO. 276 692255 ؇ 276A 695410 ؇ 287 691002 304 690844 305 690960 306 690499 307 691003 309 693551 310 690323 311 497608 333 495859 334 691061 337 491055 344 693675 358 691580 363 19203 369 695422 383 89838 404 691691 445 496894 455 691173 462 691261 467 691668 474 691063 503 691532	Sealing Washer Sealing Washer Screw (Dipstick Tube) Housing-Blower Screw (Blower Housing) Shield-Cylinder Screw (Cylinder Shield) Motor-Starter Screw (Starter Motor) Brush Set Armature-Magneto Screw (Armature Magneto) Spark Plug Screw (Cable Clamp) Engine Gasket Set Flywheel Puller Spring-Float Bowl Wrench-Spark Plug Washer (Governor Crank) Filter-Air Cleaner Catridge Cup-Flywheel Washer (Starter Cable) Knob-Air Cleaner Alternator Strap-Starter	NO. 797 801 802 803 830 842 847 851 868 871 875 877 883 914 934 947 947 967 967 967 967 975 975 975 977 977	NO. 693167 691429 691286 693757 691095 691870 496415 692424 690968 692424 690969 694942 393456 692236 690960 691058 497672 695423 272043 691916 692129 495933 695417 690192 695428	Nut (Brush Retainer) Cap-Drive Cap-End Housing-Starter Stud (Rocker Arm) Dipstick/Tube Seal Dipstick/Tube Assembly Terminal-Spark Plug Seal-Valve Bushing-Guide Base-Air Cleaner Wire-Connector/Alternator Gasket-Exhaust Screw (Rocker Cover) Screw (Fan Retainer) Solenoid-Fuel Filter-Pre Cleaner Cover-Air Cleaner Solenoid-Fuel Filter-Pre Cleaner Cover-Air Cleaner Base) Bowl-Float Bowl-Float Set-Carburetor Gasket (Walbro) Set-Carburetor Gasket
523 692014 524 281370 • 525 691398 544 692034 552 491986 562 691119 579 691029	Nut (Governor Control Lever) Drive-Starter Clutch-Drive Dipstick Seal-Dipstick Tube Tube-Dipstick Armature-Starter Bushing-Governor Lever Bolt (Governor Control Lever) Nut (Starter Cable)	1005 1006 1019 1022 1023 1026	695056 690452 496758 272475 691192 692003 692011 691751	Fan-Flywheel Retainer-Fan Kit-Label - Gasket-Rocker Cover Cover-Rocker Rod-Push (Intake) Rod-Push (Exhaust) Arm-Rocker
601 95162 614 691620 616 692012 617 692138 • 633 695414	Lever) Nut (Starter Cable) Clamp-Hose Pin-Cotter Crank-Governor O-Ring Seal (Intake Manifold) Seal-Choke/Throttle Shaft Seal-Spring Assembly (Manual Choke) Seal-Spring Assembly (Chole A Matic)	1034 1036 1051 1058 1090	690822 695700 691265 274789 691293	Guide-Push Rod Label-Emissions Retainer-Brush Owner's Manual Retainer-Brush
	(Choke-A-Malic)	1095 1119 1127 1127	691581 691183 691657 A695407	Cap-Limiter Valve Gasket Set Screw (Alternator) Screw (Float Bowl) Screw (Float Bowl)
692 690572	Boot-Spark Plug Spacer Seal-Governor Shaft Spring-Detent		Settings:	Low Speed: 1900-2100 High Speed: 3000-3200
697 690372 711 690703 718 690959 727 490324	Screw (Drive Cap) Screw (Carburetor Shield) Pin-Locating Cover-Starter Drive	• Ø	358	Engine Gasket Set, Key. No. Carburetor Overhaul Kit, Key. d 121A
729 691335 729A 691224 732 691002 733 691658 741 691284	Clip-Wire Clip-Wire Screw (Starter Drive Cover) Screw (Flywheel) Gear-Timing	‡ +	No. 977 an	Carburetor Gasket Set, Key.
757 691714 758 692423 759 691239 761 691096 783 693713 789 692037 789A 695050	Link-Counterweight Counterweight Pin-Counterweight Screw (Counterweight) Gear-Pinion Harness-Wiring Harness-Wiring		E: All compo s 1 inch = 25	onent dimensions given in U.S. 5.4 mm.

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